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WE DO NOT NEED MORE INTELLECTUAL POWER;

WE NEED MORE MORAL POWER.

WE DO NOT NEED MORE KNOWLEDGE;

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WE NEED MORE CULTURE.

WE DO NOT NEED MORE LAW;

WE NEED MORE RELIGION.

WE DO NOT NEED MORE OF THE THINGS THAT ARE SEEN;

WE NEED MORE OF THE THINGS THAT ARE UNSEEN.

— Calvin Coolidge

GRADUATION

On the evening of February 11, 1943, in the Rotunda of the Mosley Memorial Building, Reverend Cornelius P. Trowbridge, Rector of Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, addressed a graduating class of eighty-four. Right Reverend Henry Knox Sherrill presided.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Graduation Exercises, February 11, 1943

This School of Nursing is entering its 70th year. It has graduated 3033 nurses. The founders were substantial citizens of Boston. They were persons of initiative and foresight. After the first difficult year, the School prospered and the demand for its graduates was greater than the supply. Evidently some pressure was put upon the Board of Directors to increase the enrollment. In the first printed report is a significant question and a significant answer. "We are asked," writes the Secretary, "'How many first-class nurses can you send out?'" The significant reply: "As many as you will send us of first-class women." "History repeats itself," and here we are, 70 years later, again being asked "How many first-class nurses can you send out?" And again that answer, "As many as you will send us of first-class women." One emphasis, now as then, is on the words "first class." But there is also an emphasis upon another word in that telling reply made seven decades ago, and that other word is "you." As many as "you" will send us. And so we are saying to our trustees, administrators, medical staff, committee members, alumnae, students, and, under suitable conditions, to our patients, and to you in this audience, "Are you sending to the schools of nursing 'first-class young women'—your daughter or your niece or your cousin or your young friend?" Probably they have never thought of being nurses. But today many persons are "being" something they never thought they would be. And furthermore, they are doing good jobs. Some of the ablest and most successful nurses of today entered the field during the first World War. Too many parents and uncles and aunts and friends expect the young women in some other family to answer the call of the sick in the beds of our military and civilian hospitals. We who are already in the schools of nursing are too busy to go out as recruiting officers. And so I beg you to believe what you read and hear about the need for student and graduate nurses—for good ones—for "first-class young women."

The discerning listener to the report which follows will, I think, get a true picture of the nursing situation as it relates to hospitals.

With certain changes of names and figures it might be the report of many another hospital and of many another school, as the problems are similar in all of them. For example, the first statement in the opening paragraph would be true of the majority of the hospitals.

The bed capacity of the hospital continues to rise. In January the Collis P. Huntington Hospital, and in February the Vincent Memorial Hospital became integral parts of the Massachusetts General Hospital. In November the Baker Memorial was filled to its capacity: 300 adult patients. The total number of beds in the entire institution, including the emergency ward and the bassinets for the new born, is 968. And nurses must be supplied for a busy Out Patient Department with a daily average of 600 General Hospital patients. To provide nursing care today for this number is a large order. In ordinary times the request from the Blood Bank, which opened in March, for three graduate nurses would have been a minor one, but in these times the securing of even three additional nurses was a major accomplishment.

The greatest impact of the war has been upon our personnel. A recent count showed a shortage of 102 graduate nurses, or 26%; of 39 orderlies, or 45%; and of 47 ward helpers, or 38%. The total number authorized in this group is 588, and the total shortage was 188, or 32%.

The incoming number of student affiliates has dropped from a total of 34 to 22, a loss of 12. The greatest loss is from the group of McLean men students, who, because of military service, have been reduced in number from 11 to 1. Once there were 20. The number of students in the Massachusetts General Hospital School has increased during the year from 275 to 324 — 15%. But because of the loss of affiliating students and graduates, there is a net loss of graduates and students of 65.

The war directly or indirectly has been the cause of nearly all of our losses. Of the graduate nurses leaving the institution during 1942, 79 went into the military services. A few of the younger ones entered the public health nursing field, replacing those who have gone from that branch of nursing into military service. And of course many have joined the group that has raised the marriage rate.

When 6th General Hospital left on May 15, it made particularly heavy inroads on our nursing personnel, for it took 27 from the private duty group and 26 from the hospital staff. As the majority of those who went from the hospital were from the administrative group, we were very conscious of our loss. This number included an assistant night supervisor, the supervisor of the emergency ward, supervisor of one operating room, assistant

supervisor of another operating room, and 12 head nurses. Graduates of the school located elsewhere joined General Hospital No. 6. Of the 120 who were finally enrolled, 71 were from our alumnae. Gladly we gave them to the service of our country, and gladly they were received by the Chief Nurse, Lieutenant Doris Knights, A.N.C., a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing.

During the year we lost 6 members from important posts on our faculty: Miss Stephanie Convelski, the senior supervisor, to the Army Nurse Corps; Miss Hazel Bowles, Pediatric Nursing Supervisor, to the Staff at Smith College; Miss Helen Penhale, Supervisor of Staff Education and Ward Teaching, to the University of Western Ontario; and Miss Hazel Walker, Medical Supervisor, to the Worcester Memorial Hospital. We also lost Miss Eleanor Bowen, Instructor in Sciences, and Miss Mary Maher, Supervisor of Public Health Nursing, to the positions of Supervisors of Schools of Nursing under the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing. In ordinary times the loss of two from our faculty would have been serious, but the loss of six in extraordinary times was nearly a calamity.

With one exception, all of the vacancies created by the resignation of these faculty members have been filled. There have been three additions to the nursing staff: a supervisor in the White Building, authorized for the duration, and a supervisor in the Baker Memorial, whose major responsibility is to set up a program for the supervision of the student nurses, now increased from 22 to 52 in that division. The third addition is a Recorder-Secretary in the office of one of the assistant principals. The Federal Government has given financial assistance to schools which have increased their enrollment. Money which came from this source to us has provided temporary additions to our teaching staff and additional secretarial service. It has paid for the remodeling and part of the furnishings of a nursing classroom. It has also paid for the textbooks, the health fees, and maintenance of certain students during the four months' preliminary course.

The statements made in the preceding paragraphs indicate that there is great necessity for increasing the supply of graduate nurses for military service and for hospital service. Therefore during 1942 we made a great effort to increase the number of students admitted to the school. In February we admitted 55; in June, 21; in September, 93; a total of 169, an increase of 39% above the number admitted the previous year. The preliminary course of the June class was a joint project of Simmons College and the Peter Bent Brigham, Children's, and Massachusetts General Hospital schools and was largely financed by the Federal

Government. Much time, energy, and hard work were necessary to increase the entering class by 39%. In addition to the usual methods of recruiting, many members of the hospital's medical staff were circularized, and several talks were given at junior colleges and women's clubs. A special program was provided for an Open House Day for high school students who visited the Massachusetts hospitals in June. In March the Boston section of the Massachusetts Association of University Women held its meeting here. Nursing was interpreted to them by the Principal of school, and a carefully planned tour of the institution followed. In May at the mid-year meeting of the Massachusetts High School Principals' Association held in Framingham, the Principal of this school spoke on the subject "Guide the High School Student to a Great Opportunity for National Service." At that meeting the group was invited to hold its annual meeting here. The invitation was accepted, and about 115 members were here in January for that meeting. Again there was a talk on nursing, but what was more important, five students gave a demonstration of the nursing care of five different patients, which illustrated not only the relationship of the basic sciences to the practice of nursing, but the interrelationship of nursing knowledge, nursing attitudes, and nursing skills. A definite effort was made to show that it is important for young men who contemplate entering the nursing field to possess certain educational and personality qualifications.

However, an increase in the enrollment of a school of nursing is only one of the efforts which must be made to meet, in part at least, the loss of graduate nurses. Refresher Courses have been one source of supply. The two courses given here last year prepared 33 nurses. It was necessary for four to work elsewhere, but five came here for full time and 19 for part time. The latter group, though part time, were very helpful because they often came in the late afternoon when students were off to class, and they remained throughout the supper hour of both patients and nurses. Another source of help was the Replacement Nurses. They are members of the Private Duty Section of District No. 5 of the Massachusetts State Nurses Association who agreed to come into the hospitals for one month of floor duty. This plan began June 1. From this group 85 different nurses came to the institution for one full month. The services of several others who came for shorter periods were equivalent to those of 8 additional full time nurses. By far the largest number were in the Baker. The value of their services to that department needs no comment. For us an entirely new auxiliary group of bedside workers, namely, licensed attendants, has been added in the Baker Memorial. The Commonwealth licensed this group in 1941, and we employed the

first in April of 1942. The number has been small, from 9 to 11. They have been very helpful and well liked by both patients and nurses. There were several nurses who worked as volunteers, not only giving their services, but often paying for transportation, meals, and occasionally for someone to work in their homes. They have come from the private duty, married, public health, and retired groups. Many worked on the wards under heavy pressure, and several worked in the Central Surgical Supply Room, where in addition to other activities, they prepared literally thousands of supplies for a possible disaster. Three alumnae of the school have assisted in the Nursing Office for two days a week over a period of many months.

The largest volunteer group in the hospital wards is the Red Cross Volunteer Nurses' Aides. During the year just closed 328 different Aides gave to the General Hospital, usually on a daily schedule of from 4 to 6 hours, a total number of hours which was equivalent to the full time schedule of 16 graduate nurses on continuous service. There were periods when it would have been necessary for the Baker Memorial to close a floor had it not been for the help of these Aides in the General Hospital, thereby releasing students to the Baker Memorial. In January of this year the need for nurses had become so acute that 13 preliminary students who had had their caps only one day were assigned to that division. On March 9, 1942 a group of students from Harvard University began to work as volunteer orderlies from 7 to 11 p.m. These 118 different students gave, in hours, the equivalent of 4 full time evening orderlies through the period ending December 31. The Independent Order of Odd Fellows began, on December 21, to give a similar service. These members of the local lodge are recommending this type of service to other lodges of the Order. It is interesting to know that as a result of this experiment here the local chapter of the American Red Cross is contemplating giving courses which will prepare men in similar organizations for service in hospitals.

A new volunteer group organized just before the close of 1941, but which really began to function in 1942, was instigated by the Ladies' Visiting Committee. They soon added other workers to their group. The official title of this organization is Massachusetts General Hospital War Service.

No volunteers are more willing to do anything that presents itself to be done, no matter how lowly the task. The fact that it needs to be done is the only criterion that is important. There are many other volunteers, but time forbids listing all of them.

It is gratifying to know that the hospital has this great number of lay friends who care enough about it to give it personal

service. These volunteers have made it possible for us to provide the essentials of nursing care for our patients. They have strengthened the morale of the regular staff by their example of willingness to serve at considerable sacrifice of personal comfort and convenience. They are probably quite unaware of this rather intangible contribution.

To return to the School of Nursing. At first thought the shortening of the course for student nurses may seem the best way to provide more graduate nurses. The word "acceleration" is heard on every side; but as student nurses have an annual vacation of only three weeks and holiday vacations of only half a day, there is no opportunity for accelerating the course for student nurses by use of *vacations*. But the prime reason why the usual three years' course in nurses' schools cannot be changed is the fact that the majority of the states will register only the graduate of a three years' course. In certain states this is regulated by law, in others by the board of nurse examiners. The high school graduate who has had a nursing course which is less than three years may register in only eight states. However, several states will register the college graduate who has had a shorter nursing course. Therefore this school has renewed its former policy of shortening the course for those college graduates who request it, provided that they maintain a high average in the classroom and in nursing practice. The first student since 1927 to take the shorter course is a graduate of Somerville College of Oxford University, England. This young woman received her diploma on January 1, 1943. Four other college graduates are taking the shorter course. The decision about three in the class of 1944 was made after the program for tonight was printed. This explains why their names, though read, do not appear in the list.

While "acceleration" is not feasible for all students in schools of nursing, another plan, which might be called "telescoping," may be feasible for some of them. Interpreted, "telescoping" means pushing the essential classes and clinical experience back into the first two and a half years. This is feasible provided a heavier classroom schedule can be maintained and provided the nursing service of the wards can be maintained while the students are on the necessarily heavier classroom schedule. In the General Hospital there are no eye, ear, nose, throat, or obstetrical patients. There are only a few psychiatric patients and still fewer who are ill with contagious diseases. Therefore the school sends many students to other schools for this experience. To meet this need for absence during affiliation, for the growing number of clinics in the Out Patient Department held during the afternoon class hours, for reduction of the size of the classes both for better

teaching and for lowering the number of students taken off the wards at one time, every course in the curriculum, following the preclinical term, is taught three times annually. For years we have endeavored to make a close correlation between the classroom instruction and the ward assignments. While sound educationally, this plan takes many students off the ward at one time,—for example, from a medical ward to attend a class in medical nursing. And as there are now so few floor duty nurses available to cover the wards while the students are at classes, other groups of students must be available for coverage. All of these factors literally forced us, about a year and a half ago, to initiate a plan which would free at least a few students from classes during one trimester. As a result of all this effort, several of the seniors are now, and more will be, free from class for one trimester. Little did we know when we were making these changes to meet our own needs that we were making a very definite contribution to the program which must be established if the Federal Government requests the students to spend the last six months of their senior year as affiliates in the Government hospitals.

While it is obvious that most of the nursing care during this emergency must be given by student nurses, every effort must be made to safeguard their preparation. To meet these seemingly incompatible needs, the faculty studied the curriculum in search of other adjustments that might be made. The study showed that certain nursing procedures could be taught earlier in the preclinical period, thereby making it possible for the students to perform these nursing procedures earlier on the wards. It was possible to give the students 10 additional hours for much needed study. It was also found that adjustments could be made in the fifth month of the preclinical course which would, in a class of 85 students, release the equivalent of the full time of 14 of these young students for nursing service on the wards during this month. These changes could be made and still continue to have a sound educational program because more ward supervision was available due to increase in the number of supervisors, partly paid for by the Federal Government and partly by the hospital.

The 39% increase in the number of students admitted increased the work of all concerned. Although there have been certain additions to the staff, the instructors must also find teaching methods which save time. Visual aids are time savers. An example is the moving picture which has been made of one of our long nursing procedures. Another picture is in the process of being made. Moving pictures of procedures which are time consuming to demonstrate completely can be shown much more quickly by films which can be slowed to show magnified equip-

ment and slowly moving techniques. Anatomical charts which actually show the relation of acceptable nursing procedures to body structures are scarce, if not non-existent. Our medical artist, our photographer, and our instructor in nursing are working together to devise such charts. In schools of nursing, as in other institutions, the emergency of the times brings new challenges which stimulate fresh endeavor. May we never cease to endeavor!

This report should not close without a reference to the Coconut Grove disaster. The story of the care of the patients who were brought to this hospital on the evening of November 28th has been printed in other publications. Naturally it is a satisfaction to the nursing department to know that its members were prepared to meet the emergency, and what is equally important, that they were immediately available. The supplies for which the department was responsible were also ready and available. But alone we could not have continued to meet the emergency to our satisfaction. As soon as the news of the disaster became known, scores of workers came to our aid, and scores of others offered aid. Those were the days when we were glad of our trained Volunteers who were familiar with this institution. Nurses from all parts of this hospital, from other hospitals, the private duty groups, the Red Cross, and from inactive groups worked in our wards. Many worked several hours a day in addition to a full day's work elsewhere. And this assistance continued to come day after day! By no means did all care for the patients from the disaster, but often for those on other wards in order to make it possible to set up a stable group on the ward where the burned patients were located. Therefore these nurses were not impelled by curiosity and excitement but by neighborly kindness and generosity. The presence of these friends, quite apart from their contribution to the care of the patients, was heart-warming.

Long after the other events of 1942 have been forgotten, we shall remember the sense of "togetherness" which all of us experienced on that November night.

Into this annual report I am writing, where there will be a record for all time, the statement that the officers of the hospital and of the school greatly appreciate the spirit in which during this difficult time the students have discharged their added responsibilities, accepted the curtailment of their social activities, and endured their less satisfactory housing and working conditions. These students have carried added responsibilities because of the depleted number of floor duty nurses, men students, orderlies, ward helpers, and maids. At first thought the shortage of maids would seem to have little influence upon the work of the students. But lack of order and cleanliness hampers the work and irritates the worker.

Supervisors, graduates, and students, all, at times, are rendering maid service. Their main objection is the fact that they are needed for nursing service. The students' social activities are more limited because there is more overtime, more frequent night duty, and what is most trying, more frequent evening duty. And the freedom of certain week ends is curtailed by an entirely new responsibility: on call for Air Raid Protection. Because of the increase in the entering class and the decrease in suitable housing facilities for graduates who wish to live outside, students now live in five different residences, only two of which have underground connections with the hospital. This means exposure to all kinds of weather, and outdoor travel in uniform at all hours of a day which extends from 6:30 a.m. to midnight.

Then, too, these students have the worries that are common to all other young women: relatives and boy friends in service, changes in home conditions, and what is very hard to bear, lack of transportation which curtails the number and length of visits to homes.

I think you will agree that the student nurses are greatly affected by the war. But—they have the satisfaction of knowing that they are where they are most needed and that meanwhile they are preparing to fill one of the greatest needs of their country. These young women are not yet in the uniform of the military, but they are "good soldiers" in the uniform of the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing.

S.M.J.

6th GENERAL HOSPITAL

Camp Blanding, Florida

January 1, 1943.

Christmas at Camp Blanding with the 6th General Hospital will be remembered as one of the best in our lives because the Spirit of Christmas was so evident. The "White Christmas" had to be for us just imaginary. The weather was summery, so warm that we were glad of a swim in the lake to cool off, and the news of snow storms and sub-zero temperatures at home seemed almost too hard to believe.

Our preparations for Christmas began in November, and continued in spite of uncertainties. The girls shopped and wrapped packages, addressed Christmas cards, and the Choir met weekly to practice carols and music for the Chapel services. Miss Barbour, our Red Cross Field Director, and her assistants were busy, and

with the aid of a group of nurses prepared presents for the patients and decorations for the mess halls and wards. When that was done they turned their attention to the enlisted men of the 6th General. Each one of them received a package, and their mess halls were attractively decorated.

On Christmas Eve at seven-thirty we went *en masse* to the 6th General Area, and gathered with our officers and men of the Medical Detachment around a tree set up in the area. Captain Heyl led us in singing carols and it sounded very nice under the starlit sky. Santa Claus dashed into our midst driving a jeep. He explained the absence of his reindeer saying they had been stolen in Boston by meat-hungry Bostonians. He brought with him a quartet of negro singers. They sang several spirituals, and then we returned to the Station Hospital and joined the Blanding nurses. We went through the corridors singing carols for the patients, and you could not have found anywhere a more appreciative audience.

At ten o'clock we returned to the 6th General Chapel for a service arranged and conducted by Chaplain Arnold. Major Townsend was soloist and an anthem, "Oh, Holy Night," sung by the Choir was beautiful and soul-stirring. At the close of the service we continued on to the Parade Ground where we witnessed a celebration of High Solemn Mass. The Roman Catholic bishop of this diocese was the celebrant and every Catholic chaplain in camp assisted. There were literally thousands present, and when we arrived there was standing room only.

On Christmas Day we were given either morning or afternoon off duty, and there were sufficient services in the two chapels so that all who wished to go to church could do so. The dinner in our attractively decorated mess hall was perfect in every detail—the only item missing was boiled onions. We had our nurses' party in the evening and it was lovely. Each one received a small present; we sang and played games but dispersed early, for all were a little weary. As we said "Good Night" our hearts were glad and hope sprang afresh in our minds that some day soon will come for us all the fulfillment of the age-old promise, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

ELEANOR B. PITMAN,
2nd Lt., A.N.C., Res.

Life goes on at Camp Blanding; in fact, it might be said that life goes on and on, at Camp Blanding:

Dec. 1942: We had a hike yesterday that was a dandy. We went a little over $9\frac{1}{4}$ miles in 2 hours 10 minutes, total time (in-

cluded in that were 18 minutes rest). We walked at 120-126 all the way, which is *some* stepping. After several very warm days (swimming on Christmas), it became very windy and cold and rainy. We hiked in a downpour all the way, and couldn't keep warm even at the pace we were going. We wore fatigue uniforms, leggings and the new helmet. That helmet is a corker, for it kept our heads dry, didn't drain water down the back of the neck, and was *very* comfortable. The reaction of the men was interesting, in that they didn't gripe about the discomfort at all, only saying, "If the Colonel can take it, we can."

Dec. 30: We are at present at Tables of Organization strength as far as military personnel go.

News that the nurses are to get full pay of rank is a joy to them; commissioning the physical-therapy aides and the dietitians will be a wonderful thing for all of us. — *The News*

6th General Hospital

Letters and telegrams have been received from the Red Cross and members of the 6th General Hospital, announcing their safe arrival in North Africa.

The News considers it a privilege to print these portions from letters written by 2d Lt. Alice M. White, ANC (MGH 1930) to Miss McLatchie. They give delightful pictures of the compensations of military assignment in Puerto Rico:—

The country around here is becoming more beautiful. It seems to be coming to life. The weather is cooler and the sugar cane is in bloom. You have no idea how pretty it is. It resembles the wheat of our western country, but instead of rich gold it is a gleaming silver, and for miles you see fields of what might be corn topped with liquid moonlight. The blooms are very feathery and delicate, and I so often wish you were here to paint it in detail. The poinsettias are also in bloom and the colors are much more brilliant than in Bermuda. They say at Christmas it is in full bloom, and far more beautiful, but at present I find it breathtaking. We are very carefully rationed on gas, so traveling is limited, but I do wish I could see more of the country. Every little shack has its brilliant flower patch and bougainvillea vines cover the roofs in a mantle of loveliness. Such beautiful, brilliant colors, too. I didn't realize that there were so many different shades.

Christmas here was very strange. We had a Christmas party at six in the evening around a Christmas tree that one of the pilots

had flown in from the States, all properly trimmed and all, and we spent the evening discussing what our folks were doing and listening to Christmas carols over the radio. Later we sat in rocking chairs on the front porch, kicking because we weren't in the land of snow and ice but admitting we could be much worse off. As I sat there looking out at the sky filled with stars and the palm trees silhouetted in the distance, I could almost see the three wise men looking for the manger and realized that the first Christmas must have taken place in much the same climate as ours. How differently we all interpret Christmas! Here, they celebrate it on January 6, and they call it "Three Kings Day." For the last month the beggars dressed in strange Spanish costumes have been going from door to door singing their native carols, which are truly beautiful. For music they used gourds which rattle, and strange stringed instruments. They collect the money with dignity and stroll off to serenade another household. On the eve of Three Kings Day the children set out boxes filled with grass and hay for the camels of the kings, and these boxes are filled with presents from the kings instead of stockings filled by Santa. The week preceding their holiday is spent in dancing and revelry, and I tell you it is an endurance contest. The dances last until five in the morning, and they put everything into their dances here—all their muscles, I mean. The working people apparently sleep for a few hours after work, and about eleven they all go dancing and keep it up until almost daybreak. The air is filled with gayety and laughter. These revelers are masked and the masks are not removed all week until the Eve of Christmas. They are all in fancy costume too, and I guess there is much hilarity when the masks are finally removed and partners make discoveries.

We have all been interested and upset about the terrible fire at the "Cocoanut Grove." I read a very interesting article in the *Boston Globe* about the efficient way the good old M.G.H. treated its cases, and of course I glowed with reasonable pride.

I am in the operating room now and on call every day. I like it very much, but tell Cordelia King that I wish I had spent some time with her before I left for foreign duty. I hadn't realized what I could forget in twelve years away from the "field of operations." However, it is slowly coming back to me and I hope I don't disgrace my old school. Of course all the instruments have different names; and they use cotton to tie off and suture here, and each needle holds just one stitch. You can't imagine how fast one has to thread needles to keep up with the surgeon. They sometimes use French eye needles which are new to me but are a great help. You don't have to thread them in the usual way but from the top.

I have been trying to get a machete. I want a real native

one, and when I asked one of the native officers to get me one, he looked at me and blandly asked, "How many notches do you want on the handle?" We could use it pruning our bushes in the springtime! They use them for everything here except picking their teeth and cutting their fingernails. They cut grass, open cocoanuts, trim bushes, cut cane, and even settle arguments with them. Some are the most wicked-looking things with long sabre-like blades and sharp enough to shave with.

It doesn't seem quite fair, our having such delightfully warm weather, all the sugar and coffee, and you folks rationed and freezing.

The editor of the QUARTERLY RECORD received this interesting letter from Miss Sarah F. Martin, Class of 1886: "I have just been reading the RECORD, which has been my good fortune for a long time. I find so much that is of interest to me. I knew Miss Blanche Thayer as one of the Head Nurses during my training in the Hospital and during her early days she had the dignity and fine appearance that she kept through her entire life.

"Miss Parsons and I have been friends for years, and we have worked together when she was in Maryland, and through the RECORD I have noted her busy life. I have called on Miss Sally Johnson on my visits to Boston and have heard of her fine work and her voice of experience at the National Conventions, from some of my nurse friends here in Maryland.

"The Massachusetts General Hospital, with its fine corps of both nurses and physicians, has done so much for the sick and suffering and the response to the call to the Cocoanut Grove disaster was heralded to the Nation through the press.

"It makes one feel proud to have been associated with such a fine hospital, even if it was years ago. The response to the call for service to our own beloved country at this time of need, from the M.G.H. nurses, is known throughout the World.

"The note about the fourth floor of the 'Thayer House' having a new coat of paint, especially the last sentence—'One can plainly see that the Old Gal still tries to keep up with the Joneses'—gave me the idea of sending you this bit of news from one of the 'Old Gals', that had a room on that fourth floor years ago.

"On February 8, 1884 I entered the Boston Training School for Nurses connected with the Massachusetts General Hospital. On February 8, 1886 I found my 'Diploma' on my bureau. No ceremony about that!

"I served as Head Nurse on Ward C one year. Came to Baltimore in July, 1887, where I have lived ever since. I claim,

and to date, no one has disputed it, I was the FIRST GRADUATE NURSE now living in Maryland. When the Maryland State Nurses Association was organized in 1903 I took an interest in the work and to date that interest I have never lost.

"I was born October 9, 1864 in the City of Newburyport, Massachusetts, and I have never lost my interest in the nurses and this work of Massachusetts either. At present I can do very little, except encourage from time to time those who are bearing the heat and burden of the day."

Very sincerely,
SARAH F. MARTIN,
Springfield Ave.,
Sykesville, Maryland
or
806 Madison Avenue,
Baltimore, Maryland.

February 24, 1943.

Monthly magazine of the Oranges, N.J.

Maplewood's Mrs. Dunaway, Club Chairman

Only a person who has lived with a people, seen their customs, observed their traditions and heard their ideas is entitled to speak authoritatively on their way of life. A woman with just such a wide background of foreign ideas and conditions sown from years of experience is Mrs. John A. Dunaway of 76 Tuscan Road in Maplewood. One need just to mention that she has been in France, Jerusalem, Damascus, Turkey, Persia, Switzerland and Belgium to at least appreciate, perhaps not wholly understand, the fascinating life she has led. It is no wonder that she has just been elected foreign policy chairman of the League of Women Voters of the Oranges. The League's recently-initiated course entitled "The World We Want" demands just the type of knowledge and background that Mrs. Dunaway has to offer. Few women have read enough or thought enough, much less seen enough, to have formed very definite, worthwhile, reasoning opinions on this all-important, timely question.

At the time of World War I Mrs. Dunaway was a nurse in France, caring for American soldiers at Bordeaux and, later, French and English ones in Paris. Still later, joining a Red Cross unit, she traveled to Jerusalem and Damascus and ultimately reached Aleppo, Turkey, where, in true story-book fashion, so many miles away from home, she met her husband-to-be who was Near East supervisor for relief there. They were married later

in Boston and soon after went to Washington where Mr. Dunaway was made chief of the research division of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

Strangely enough, Persia was to be their next home, for Mr. Dunaway became statistician for the American finance commission in this far-off land. Here, living for several years in a native house with all Oriental surroundings, Mrs. Dunaway took advantage of her wonderful opportunity to observe the many Persian characteristics, customs, traditions and ideas. At Kerminshah where she lived she knew well Mrs. Ruth Roche Elder, wife of a missionary and native of East Orange. There were only eight Americans there at the time. After six years of this fascinating Persian existence, Mr. Dunaway became marketing specialist for the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and back to the familiar ground of the United States they sailed. When the Supreme Court killed the AAA, Mr. Dunaway was appointed supervisor of revenue for the Republic of Liberia in 1935. He spent a year in Monrovia, then came home on leave. Mrs. Dunaway and the children sailed with him on his return route but they traveled three different roads. Mr. Dunaway, of course, went to Liberia, the children to school in Switzerland, and Mrs. Dunaway to France and Belgium for a year of travel just at the time Hitler was beginning to come into his own.

Since 1938 Mrs. Dunaway has been living in Maplewood with the children. Mr. Dunaway is still financial adviser to the Liberians whose efforts in self-government he admires very much. Their children are John Jr., 21, a senior at Antioch, William, 19, a sophomore at the University of Washington who will enter the Air Corps shortly, and Sylvia, 16, a Junior at Columbia High.

DOTTIE LEWIS.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED

Annual Report of the President, January 26, 1943

Nurses have had much to do in 1942. Many have entered military service, and those remaining on civilian duty have been kept busy by mounting hospital occupancy, dwindling ranks in nursing personnel, and increasing responsibilities in supervision of non-professional workers. Activity on the jobs has left little time for special functions in the Alumnae Association. The one event of importance was the reception to the nurses of the Unit just before their departure for active service in May. We were happy to assemble in their honor, and proud to have them ready to

represent our hospital and our profession in the service of our country. Happy indeed will be the occasion when we greet them on return.

We are already started on a new year, a 1943 which must be crowded with stress and strain we know, but which we will meet with the courage that comes to all who really seek to serve. We must recognize our own place in the total picture, and we must pull together for victory. We must maintain harmony within our own group, and we must work in harmony with the larger professional organizations.

There is an appeal this year to every able-bodied nurse. There is work for all of us, and each must find her own place.

First: Those of military age have the greatest opportunity, the greatest challenge of all. 163 registered nurses per month from Massachusetts sounds like an amazing demand, but it is what they ask. Military authorities say "We know that the nurses are here, and we must recruit them."

Second: There is crying need in this hospital and in similar hospitals for nurses beyond military age or otherwise unsuited to military duty. Refresher courses are available for inactive nurses who need to be brought up to date before attempting active nursing again. If you cannot work full time, a few hours a day or a few days a week from many will add to surprising totals. If bedside nursing is too strenuous for some, the hospitals can use less active nurses to supervise the work of Nurses' Aides and of other non-professional workers.

Third: There are Red Cross classes to be taught: classes in Home Nursing, courses for Nurses' Aides, courses in First Aid. See that your own community is provided with these defenses against epidemics and against disaster. Local nursing Councils for War Service are listing nurses available for local disaster work. Some of you can help here.

Fourth: Perhaps most important of all, and certainly available to every nurse, is the challenge to recruit student nurses. Printed in the By-Laws of our Alumnae Association, we have stated as one of our purposes in organizing: "to strive to elevate the standards of nursing and of nursing education by disseminating information on the subject of nursing". This was written as a peace-time purpose, but now is our great opportunity to carry it out when war demands are upon us. Never did we need to recruit student nurses in such numbers as we need today. And perhaps never did the competition of industry make recruitment of student nurses so difficult. Talk about it individually to qualified young women that you know, and direct them to approved schools of nursing. If you know of school or church groups where a speaker

on this subject could reach good material, get in touch with the Speakers' Bureau through Miss Lee's office. Acquaint young people with the publicity programs which are being offered in the schools of nursing.

About three thousand nurses have been graduated from this school. What a strength in nurse power that represents! What a contribution our alumnae are making today, scattered as they are all over this world! We hope that every one who is physically able is using her knowledge of nursing in some useful way today. But our greatest asset is the spirit of M. G. H. which each had opportunity to absorb from association within these honored walls, the spirit that holds us together, the spirit that preserves the ideals and loyalties for which this school and this hospital stand. It is for such ideals and loyalties that men are fighting on the battlefronts, and it is incumbent upon us to fight for them on the home front. I believe that all of us who are attending this annual meeting, and all the rest in far flung lands, can join tonight in renewing the spirit of M. G. H., the spirit of America, which fights for justice, for freedom, for education, and which recognizes that coördinate with all privilege there must be individual and collective responsibility, self-discipline, protection of the weak and unfortunate. These are the ideals that bind us together and give us our greatest strength. It is realization of their intrinsic worth, and the firm knowledge that they have worked in free America for three hundred years and more, that determines us to make democracy available to all peoples of the earth. How fortunate are nurses with opportunities to exemplify these ideals every day of our lives!

MARY E. SHEPARD (1924).

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the year ended December 31, 1942

Cash—January 1, 1942—State Street Trust Company \$ 203.69

Receipts

Membership dues:

Active	\$2,174.50	
Associate	233.50	
Non-Resident	1,205.00	\$3,613.00
Miscellaneous (including		
Gray Book)		17.19
Withdrawn from Savings.....		175.00
Deposits from 1941		18.17
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		3,823.36

Total Receipts

\$4,027.05

Disbursements

Printing & Publishing Quarterly	847.17	
Printing	177.69	
Monthly Meetings	51.01	
M.S.N.A. District No. 5.....	1,239.50	
Postage & Stationery	116.50	
Deposited Boston Federal Savings	120.00	
Exchange and Charge on Checks	15.80	
Treasurer	375.03	
Annual Contributions		
Isabelle H. Robb Fund.....	25.00	
McIsaac Loan Fund	25.00	
Annabella McCrae Loan Fund	50.00	
M.G.H. School of Nursing	100.00	
National League of Nursing Ed.	100.00	300.00
Gifts and Flowers	35.50	
Private Duty Committee.....	20.00	
Unit Tea	82.50	
Gifts for Unit	132.00	
Bonding of Treasurer	12.50	
Special Gift	25.00	
Delegate to Biennial	175.00	
Refund on Dues	4.50	
Auditing of Books	25.00	
Miscellaneous	19.45	
		<hr/> 3,774.15

Balance in the State St. Trust Co., Jan. 1, 1943..... \$ 252.90

Deposits in Savings Accounts

The Provident Institution for Savings.....	\$1,331.98
The Boston Five Cent Savings	1,211.72
Boston Federal Savings and Loan Association.....	1,115.08
Franklin Savings Bank	269.34

Total \$3,928.12

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE LYONS TWOMEY,
Treasurer.

ANNABELLE McCRAE LOAN FUND**Annual Report for 1942**

In this year when there have been so many interferences with post-graduate education, the Committee expected little use of the Loan Fund. However, five nurses have been able to make use of the fund during 1942 and one loan has been approved for the present semester of 1943. This is a larger number than usual.

The 1942 loans were as follows: one for study at Minnesota University to secure a diploma in Public Health Nursing; one for study toward a B.S. degree in Nursing Education at Columbia; two for study toward a Public Health Nursing certificate at Simmons College; and one for a summer course at New York University to complete qualifications for a Nurse-Teacher certificate.

The average amount of the individual loans was not as large as in previous years, but the total loaned was \$1,050.00. One small loan was a second one to the same person. Only one borrower has been irregular in her repayments.

The treasurer's report is as follows:

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE E. PEIRCE,
Chairman.

ANNABELLE McCRAE LOAN FUND**In Account with Helene G. Lee, Treasurer**

Balance brought forward—January 1, 1942		\$1,514.67
Receipts—Repayments on Loans:		
Users Nos. 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29	702.33	
Interest—bank and loan	31.58	
Contribution (Alum. Ass.)	50.00	783.91
Total receipts		\$2,298.58
Disbursements—To Users Nos. 28, 29, 30,		
31, 32	1,050.00	
Refund to No. 21	9.00	
		1,059.00
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1942		1,239.58
(Deposited in Franklin Savings Bank, Boston)		

Analysis of Loans:

It will be noted that amount repaid is less than the amount loaned during the year.

The amount of loan per person is not as large as in previous year, varying from \$150 to \$400, as against \$500 per person in the past. In most cases the ten-monthly plan of repayment is in effect, but in some instances the committee has adjusted the repayments to the convenience of the individual.

One user has had two small loans in order to complete her work. Only one user has been irregular in her payments.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

January 26, 1943.

The following is a report of the Membership Committee of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association for the year ending December 31, 1942.

	<i>New</i>	<i>Total</i>
Active Members	34	520
Non-resident Members	27	603
Associate Members	6	108
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Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET MEENAN,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SICK RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The 33rd annual meeting of the Sick Relief Association of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae was held May 12, 1942. The reports of the President and Treasurer submitted at that meeting appear in the June Quarterly.

Benefits amounting to \$794.32 were paid for the year ending April 30, 1942 — a smaller sum than usual. Since then, from May 1, to December 31, 1942, \$674.29 has been paid in benefits. Many letters of appreciation have come to us from nurses who received these benefits.

We have now 223 paid-up members. This shows a gratifying gain, but we hope that many more members of the alumnae will recognize the value of membership in the Sick Relief Association and join during the coming year.

The treasurer reports a balance on hand December 31, 1942, of \$20,672.19.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIRA B. STEVENS,
President.

January 26, 1943.

REPORT OF THE RED CROSS COMMITTEE

January 26, 1943.

The Red Cross Committee has the following report to make for the year of 1942.

After checking through the Class of 1942 we found that approximately seventeen of our graduates have joined the armed forces through either membership in the Student Reserve of the Red Cross, or the Red Cross.

Following the suggestion of Mrs. DeHaas of the Red Cross at the October meeting to send the Alumnae members in the armed forces a Christmas remembrance, it was decided to send a Christmas card of the Bulfinch as seen from Miss Johnson's office, with a greeting written by a friend or a classmate, in behalf of the Alumnae.

We must endeavor this year to recruit students for the Student Reserve, also graduates for the Red Cross Nursing Service.

Respectfully submitted,

ADELE CORKUM,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL PRIVATE DUTY NURSES' UNIT

Our group has been quite busy, in and out of the hospital.

A brief resumé of the past year reveals that many of our group took the First Aid Course — some the Advanced Course, and are teaching this; others teaching Home Nursing, still others are enlisted as Wardens — a few assigned to First Aid Centers and Ambulance Units — more have, like many public-minded citizens donated, one or more times, their blood at the Red Cross Blood Center.

Our former chairman, Margaret Mahoney, was appointed

to a Central Directory Committee.

As you know our state registration fees were increased this year — we now pay \$1 six weeks prior to our birthday.

6th General Hospital was mobilized and moved to Florida May 15, thus making many vacancies in our ranks.

A new chairman was elected to fill the unexpired term of Margaret Mahoney.

At the early spring meeting of the Private Duty Unit a tentative plan was read by Miss Mahoney, which was: to try to fill the vacancies on the wards, created by the loss of our nurses going into military service.

In June the Replacement Plan was put into operation in seventeen hospitals in greater Boston. Each succeeding month, each hospital would request a given number of nurses, and as nearly as possible this order filled.

In November the number of available nurses to fill these requests became more of a problem, due to the ever-increasing cost of living—nearly a 40 per cent increase this past year. More and more of the nurses felt unable financially to repeat this plan again this year at the present rate of pay — \$3.27 per day, for a period of one month. It was then voted by the Nurses' Council to send a proposal to the Hospital Council, requesting an increase in pay.

At the meeting of the Nurses' Council held January 7, it was voted to suspend operation of this plan pending a reply from the Hospital Council. During its operation the Massachusetts General Hospital received 115 replacements: Gen. 5, Baker 87, P. H. 23.

The annual election of officers for 1943 took place in December.

Chairman: Margaret Dunn.

Vice Chairman: Ethel McNamara.

Secretary: Edna Rackliffe.

Treasurer: Evelyn Gardner King.

Sick Nurses' Committee:

Chairman: Edith Hinchliffe.

Gretchen Knight.

Genevieve Monahan.

Ebba Bloomquist.

Evelyn Gardner King.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET DUNN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE

January 26, 1943.

The Program Committee has the following report to make for the year 1942:—

The Alumnae Association has had eight opportunities for meeting together during the past year. In January, 1942, we had one annual business meeting. The February meeting was postponed until the first of March, when we met at a mass meeting sponsored by the Boston Nursing Council at the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company. The March meeting was held on April 1—due to the Regional Blackout. This meeting brought the senior class to us—our program being “The Psychology of Rumor.” The attendance was very good and seemed to be enjoyed by all. Miss Doris Knights, Chief Nurse of Unit No. 6, spoke a few words encouraging everyone to do their part in joining the service.

Our regular April meeting was held the 28th at which time Dr. Paul K. Lesch spoke on “New Lights of Nutrition and Dental Hygiene.” He had many valuable points to offer in the foundation of dental formation. M.G.H. night at “Pops” replaced our May meeting. Although many familiar faces were not present due to the Services, all did their part to make the evening an enjoyable one.

This fall we have had three meetings. In October we welcomed home Miss Peterson, who very kindly told us of some of her experiences while in England with the American Red Cross Harvard Field Hospital Unit. It really seemed like “old Times” to see and hear her again.

The discussion of some adjustments in the School of Nursing and Nursing Service to meet the present emergencies was very aptly done by members of the staff at the November meeting.

Our Annual Christmas program—Candle Light Service, completed our year.

Expenditures:

Entertainment	\$10.00
Chairs for candle light	10.00
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	\$20.00

Respectfully submitted,

PHILOMENA DeCICCO,
MARGARET RILEY,
MARIE SHEARER,
ALMA CODY, Chairman.

QUARTERLY RECORD COMMITTEE

January 26, 1943.

In November, 1942, a meeting of the Quarterly Committee was held. Miss Barbara Williams was unanimously voted to fill the vacancy left by Miss Eleanor Pitman, who is with the Massachusetts General Hospital Unit. It was decided also to appoint Miss Pitman the "field reporter" for the Quarterly—her special assignment to the 6th General Hospital and the doings of its members.

At this meeting Miss Dorothy Tarbox, editor of the Quarterly, suggested to the Quarterly committee that a new editor be appointed to replace her. She has worked hard and faithfully for the magazine for six years, and would like to resign her post. It will be very difficult to fill her position—as yet no one has been appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET MEENAN,
Chairman.

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The A. N. A. Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses—Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses—Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

STUDENTS' PAGE

Social events of the Christmas season included the Christmas Eve Open House and the Christmas Formal Dance. The Open House, held in the Walcott House Living Room, was well attended by students and their friends. The Formal Dance on January 29th was sponsored by the Class of 1944, with Miss Marilyn Costello as chairman. Attendance was the largest we have had for many years. Ken Reeves' orchestra supplied the excellent music and the dance committee made attractive dance orders and decorations. In the receiving line were Miss Johnson, Miss French and Miss Scherer.

The Senior Class Baccalaureate Service was held again this year at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, on February 7th at the evening service. The guest speaker, Rev. Dr. John Hayes Holmes gave an inspiring address entitled: "Spiritual Power—What It Is and How It May Be Used." Members of the class and their friends were invited to a social hour after the service in the crypt of the church.

A small group of seniors held their Senior Formal Dance at the Hotel Statler on January 29th. Miss Johnson and Miss Roberts were the chaperones.

The Year Book, under the editorship of Barbara Mulvanity and Frances Malone, has been published and is a very creditable booklet.

Different groups of students have enjoyed the monthly informal dances in the Walcott House for the service men. All branches of the armed forces have been our guests and the last one in February was attended by many English sailors and Australian fliers. The students consider that they are doing their bit in entertaining the boys and they also have a great deal of fun while doing it.

Election of officers for the Student Nurses' Cooperative Association was held in February, with the following results:

President, Marie Reeves, Joplin, Missouri.

Vice-President, Marie Rearick, Warren, Massachusetts.

Secretary, Cynthia Welker, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Treasurer, Patricia Welch, Rutland, Vermont.

At Christmas time the Student Association made donations of clothing and money to a needy family. The new Student Handbook was published and distributed in January.

THE ALUMNAE

Engagements

Lt. Ethel Slattery (1939) A.N.C. to Yeoman John R. Johnsonburg of the U. S. Coast Guard of Van Hook, North Dakota.

Lois Woodbury (1942) to Herbert Clayton Bridges, Jr., of the U. S. Army Air Corps, formerly of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Lt. Dorothy M. Duffy (1939) to Dr. Carl S. Sawyer, Assistant Resident Dermatologist at the Massachusetts General.

Marriages

Lucille Kalb (1917) to Mr. Herbert S. Irwin on July 1, 1942, in Monrovia, California.

Norma Reed Nesmith (1942) to Chester Holt, U. S. Army, on August 1, 1942, in Brockton, Massachusetts.

Elizabeth Margaret Stevens (1942) to Edward Robichaud, U. S. Naval Reserve, on August 8, 1942, in Kittery Point, Maine.

Emily Madeline Healey (1940) to Mr. William W. Jordan on October 21, 1942, at Springfield, Massachusetts.

Barbara Farr (1942) to Dr. Olof H. Pearson, on December 30, 1942, in Portland, Maine.

Lurana Eileen Egan (1940) to Lt. Sidney Tally, on December 31, 1942, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Cora Bertha Yando (1942) to Mr. Donald A. Brew, on December 31, 1942, at St. Joseph's Church, Boston, Massachusetts.

Marie Eleanor Scherer (1936) to Mr. Joseph William Andrews, on February 20, 1943, at St. Gabriel's Monastery in Brighton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Andrews live at 132 Main Street, Watertown, Massachusetts.

Barbara Elizabeth Mulvanity (1943) to Mr. Thomas Adams, Jr., R.O.T.S., on February 25, 1943, at Nashua, New Hampshire.

Irene Aini Ahonen (1941) to Mr. William Sevanson, on February 27, 1943, in the Lindsey Chapel, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin Steward (Grace Shattuck 1933) announce the birth of a son, Robert Duncan, on February 1, 1942, in Holden, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Fettes (Frances Josephine McKean 1941) announce the birth of a daughter, Evelyn Frances, on August 19, 1942, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-in Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Captain and Mrs. Joseph P. Donohue (Lucille M. Theroux 1938) announce the birth of a son, Joseph Patrick, on October 2, 1942, at Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Captain and Mrs. Howard C. Coggleshall (Dorothy Amlaw 1933) announce the birth of a son on November 30, 1942, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dr. and Mrs. James Lewis (Anna Charlotte Fyhr 1938) announce the birth of a son, Karin Louise, on December 6, 1942.

Captain and Mrs. Dan P. Briggs (Bertha A. Navas 1938) announce the birth of a daughter, Sharon Lee, on December 9, 1942, at the Station Hospital of Fort Meade, South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. James Monagle (Elizabeth C. Haworth 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Ann on December 10, 1942, in St. Francis Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Robert Reynolds (Agnes Todd Lang 1937) announce the birth of a son, Robert Lang, on December 21, 1942, at the Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Omaha, Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds reside at 4807 Cass Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sprague (Caroline E. Edwards 1926) announce the birth of a daughter, Sarah Blake, on December 25, 1942, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-in Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dr. and Mrs. Irad Hardy (Eva M. Borrner 1936) announce the birth of a son, Irad, Jr., on January 14, 1943, at the Phillips House, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bygrave (Lucy E. Denio 1938) announce the birth of a daughter, Lucy Elliott, on February 11, 1943, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

ESTHER E. MITCHELL

Esther E. Mitchell (1899) died early in December, 1942, in the Winnipeg Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Miss Mitchell was formerly a private duty nurse in Boston, returning to Canada, where she did social service work.

BEATRICE P. GALBRAITH

Beatrice P. Galbraith (1894) died on January 14, 1943, in her seventy-ninth year, at the Mount Pleasant Home, 301 South Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

MARGARET D. McDONALD

Margaret D. McDonald (1900) the last surviving member of a pioneer London, Ontario, family, died on January 22, 1943, in the Parkwood Hospital, London, Ontario. Many years of her life were spent in Boston.

MARY E. WALSH

Mary E. Walsh (1897) died on February 1, 1943, in the St. Joseph's Hospital, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

In Memoriam

ELLEN POWERS

Ellen Powers, one of the hospital's faithful employees, died at the home of her brother in Somerville, Massachusetts, on December 16, 1942. Many of the graduates will remember her as the Ward maid on Ward F, from November 6, 1911 to 1918, when she went to the hospital laundry, working there until December 1, 1942.

WILLIAM S. RIPLEY

"William S. Ripley, purchasing agent of the Massachusetts General Hospital and the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, died in the Baker Memorial Hospital on December 23, 1942. He had been ill for several months. The outlook was hopeless, his death a merciful release.

"He began his connection with the Massachusetts General Hospital as storekeeper at the McLean Hospital. In 1906 he came to the General Hospital as secretary to Dr. Howard, the Administrator, who was in charge of the business affairs of both institutions. As the Hospital grew in size with the construction of the Phillips House and Baker Memorial, a definite Purchasing Department was established and Mr. Ripley became its head. He served Drs. Cowles, Howard, Washburn, Howland, Bigelow and Faxon. In all he was an officer of the Massachusetts General Hospital for forty-four years.

"Slow-spoken and deliberate, he carefully weighed the evidence before each decision. Honest and loyal, the Hospital has never had a more faithful servant. Sympathetic and kindly, he was a valued friend of many still connected with the Hospital and many who have passed on."

News—F. A.W.

In Memoriam

DR. WARREN L. BABCOCK

Dr. Warren L. Babcock died in St. Petersburg, Florida late in December, 1942. Dr. Babcock was director of Grace Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, for thirty-four years. He will be remembered by members of Base Hospital No. 6 as Colonel Frederick A. Washburn's successor in command of the Unit in Bordeaux, France.

DR. ELLIOTT GRAY BRACKETT

Oliver Wendell Holmes applied the title "The Beloved Physician" to James Jackson, the first Physician of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Many doctors have to a greater or lesser degree deserved this title. Elliott Gray Brackett was outstanding among them. Skillful in orthopedic surgery, he held high rank in this specialty. He became Chief of the Orthopedic Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital. He was Surgeon at the Children's Hospital. As Colonel with the Medical Corps in World War I, he was Director of Orthopedics in this country. He was editor of the *Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery* and author of many articles on orthopedic surgery.

This is by no means a complete list of his professional positions; but it is the man himself, his fine character, his love of his fellow man, whom we delight to honor. When Elliott Brackett died on December 30, 1942, this country lost an outstanding orthopedic surgeon. Boston, his patients and friends lost a man of high character, of sympathetic devotion, who had lived a life of service, the main thing that makes life worth while. He was "The Beloved Physician."

News—F. A.W.

NEWS

At the close of the annual meeting of the Alumnae Association the president, Mary E. Shepard, officially relinquished her leadership in the Association to the incoming president, Marjory Stimson.

Miss Shepard has been our president for three terms, a period of six years. She carried the association through the intricacies of "Incorporation." We were proud of her when she represented the association at official gatherings—the presentation of Miss Johnson's portrait, and the "Tea" for the unit. She has more than carried her share of the Alumnae responsibilities and deserves a seat "on the floor."

We look forward with anticipation to the leadership of Marjory Stimson, Associate Professor of Public Health Nursing, Simmons College, Boston.

On January 7, 1943, E. Jacqueline Davis (1932) joined the Army Nurse Corps, and on the twenty-second of February, 1943, received the rank of 1st Lieutenant and was appointed Chief Nurse of a unit at the Station Hospital, Fort Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts.

Bertha M. Coskie (1934) is enrolled as a full-time student at Boston University, and Mrs. Lawrence H. Cummings (Mary E. Lamphier 1928) is a part-time student at the same college.

Hazel A. Goff (1917) has been called to Washington, D. C., to serve for one month on Mr. Lehman's committee. She left St. Luke's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, where she was Superintendent of Nurses to start her new duties the first of March.

While Dr. John Beech Hazard is in Foreign Service his wife (Etta May Holly 1931) is living in Sanford, Florida, with her mother.

Friends of Mrs. Helen Brophy (Helen A. Crocker 1932) will be sorry to hear that she is a patient in the Norfolk County Sanatorium, Braintree, Massachusetts. We wish her a short stay and a speedy recovery. Susan B. Andrews, a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City, was appointed Instructor in Public Health Nursing on January 4, 1943. She replaced Miss Maher.

The School has lost two staff members to the Board of Registration of Nurses: Eleanor Page Bowen, who had been Instructor of Sciences since 1939 and Mary Maher, Instructor in Public Health Nursing since 1938, with a year's leave of absence.

Mrs. George E. McCabe (Kathryn Lovejoy 1936) formerly of Washington, D.C., has returned to Army nursing.

Mrs. Bristow Austin Warley (Lillian R. Fletcher 1935) has resigned as nurse at the Red Cross Blood Donor Center to accept a position as Supervisor of Passenger Service for Northeast Airlines, Inc., East Boston Airport.

SLEEPING BABIES ARE FAVORITE PASSENGERS OF
AIRLINE STEWARDESS

By June McConnell

Airline Stewardess Lillian Fletcher's favorite passengers are sleeping babies. Or perhaps that's only true when she remembers one feminine passenger who glared at her and the gum she was offering long enough to declare grimly: "I never chew." Babies couldn't cause the mishaps that do passengers with more years to their credit. Lillian passed some gum to one woman with the explanation, "This will help you to swallow and will equalize the pressure in your ears." Believe it or not, when she returned she found the woman squirming with sticking gum stopping up her ears. The rest of the trip was a short nightmare trying to remove it. A few years past babyhood are acceptable, too. On one trip she had charge of a five-year-old girl. It was a beautiful sunny day with high fleecy clouds. The young passenger seemed to be having the time of her life. All of a sudden Lillian walked by and saw her looking very sad with tears in her eyes. She said, "Ruthy, what's the matter?" Answered little Ruthy, "Where are the angels my mommy told me about?" The fast-thinking hostess replied "They're out to choir rehearsal." She's wondered ever since what "mommy" thought of that.

Lillian's been flying for about five years. She started after going to National Park Seminary for two years where she studied voice and piano and three years of training at Massachusetts General Hospital, from which she received her R. N. cap. On one of her first trips as stewardess she was flying over New York, a route with which she wasn't acquainted. A passenger pointed to the bright lights of an amusement park and asked what it was. "Coney Island," answered Lil without a stutter. When she was walking back down the aisle James Roosevelt, who had overheard her, whispered, "That's not Coney. It's Rye Beach." She laughed and explained that it was a new flight to her. Continued Jimmy, "If there's anything else you want to know, ask me."

Miss Fletcher, who's Mrs. Bristow A. Darby in society, has just been knighted Supervisor of Passenger Service for Northeast Airlines, Inc. She's going to teach first aid, flight control, mete-

orology, time-table reading, air mapping, ticketing, and reservation holding to novices. This is the second year Northeast has used hostesses on flights to Presque Isle and Moncton, N. B. Lillian is the first boss and in charge of the whole works from passenger menu to personal comfort.

For the duration no registered nurses are being hired for this work. Qualifications of stewardesses for Northeast are: college two years, or its equivalent in cultural or business courses; height 5 feet 2 inches to 5 feet six inches; weight, 105 to 125 pounds; age 21 to 26 years. Girls must be attractive and with nice smiles and pleasant manners. They must be mentally alert . . . and willing to laugh at the shortcomings of passengers. As example of what they must pass off is this anecdote. Planes are air conditioned on the ground just before they take off because it takes a few minutes in the air before their own system begins to work. As a plane leveled off a passenger, having seen the truck and its air conditioning hose pull up, said, "I've always wondered how they air conditioned these ships. Imagine having a truck out behind." She, according to Lillian, thought the truck was trailing along. An Arabian Night fan, no doubt.—*Boston Herald*.

Frances L. Wales (1914) has accepted a position at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Frances Reiter, who graduated from the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing was appointed on September 22, 1942, as part-time instructor. On January 11, 1943, she became supervisor of Clinical Instruction, continuing with some of her teaching at Boston University.

Excerpt from letter from Helen Flanagan (1922) to Ruth Sleeper: "January 8, 1943, American Embassy, Lima, Peru. . . . I am still further away and am about to do what I think will prove to be very interesting work. We are establishing small hospitals in the provinces, starting from scratch, staying until they are running smoothly and then handing them over. Eventually we will arrive in Iquitos at the headwaters of the Amazon, about 1200 miles inland. Lima is the most beautiful southern city I have ever seen. Lovely plazas, abloom with flowers, all over the city. Summer has just started here. Winter starts in June. We are only nine miles from where there are beaches and many go to swim. Our first assignment will be in Tinga Maria, two days from here over the Andes, 16,000 feet, for awhile. Even our food will have to be sent from Lima. When we finish at Iquitos we shall return to Lima to open a large health clinic and shall probably remain in Peru for two years."

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin Steward (Grace Shattuck 1933) and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dea (Adelaide De Long 1918) are neighbors on Highland Street, Holden, Massachusetts.

N. Gertrude Sharpe (1912) is at 7 Park Street, Houlton, Maine, where she is spending the winter with her sister, whose husband, Dr. Parker Ward, died suddenly on September 8, 1942.

Friends of Anne L. Clark (1920) will be interested to know she is a very active practicing physician in New York City.

Grace Follett (1939) formerly assistant instructor in Nursing Arts, is now medical supervisor.

Mrs. E. E. Edling (Leila Childs 1920), with her husband and two children, Frederick (8) and Elizabeth (13) have reached this country after a perilous voyage from Capetown, South Africa. She writes: "Indeed it is a matter of thankfulness to be safely brought over those seas where lurk submarines, raiders and mines! Tales of sinkings to the front and to the rear of us often reached our ears. . . . It was notable that each of those among our few passengers who were drawn to fellowship with our little group (11 missionaries), had been through some terrible war experiences. Some were survivors from torpedoed boats, and one had lost all he had in both Holland and Java. When the crash comes, folks discover their need of One who never changes. Contrary to our expectations, we had a delightful time on the boat, and we learned considerable geography at first hand." The Edlings are on their way "to see our tall sons, whom we have not seen in nearly seven years, over there in college in Houghton in western New York State."

Baker Memorial is to have a Children's Unit on the East wing of the third floor. This unit will have beds for 10 children and will be opened March 1st. Elizabeth O'Loughlin (1943) will be head nurse in the new unit.

There were 74 students who entered the School in February, 1943. The homes of the young women in this group were distributed geographically over 8 states, as follows:

Massachusetts	54
Connecticut	6
New Hampshire	5
Maine	2
Vermont	2
Ohio	1
Iowa	1
Rhode Island	3

It is interesting that 5 of the students received scholarships from the Federal Government and three from individual women's organizations,—the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Cleveland Heights Women's Club in West Cleveland, Ohio, and the Women's Club in Lexington, Mass.

Mrs. Wendell Dove (Ethlyn Austin 1929) writes from Baltimore that she is working in a war industry plant in Baltimore, as Assistant to the Personnel Manager and Chief of the Industrial Hygiene. Her husband is a Major in the U. S. Army and is "somewhere in England."

Last December, Thelma Ingles (1936) was appointed as head nurse of a 46-bed surgical ward at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mary Sweeney (1939) wrote some months ago from "somewhere in Australia." She is with a small unit which moves rather quickly. The hospital in Australia was set up in an empty building which had been taken over for their use. She said that Ruth Haddon is in the same unit. The letter ends—"Undoubtedly the hospitals at home are feeling the effects of shortages both in materials and nurses. However, tell the girls that when every drop of hot water must be heated in a pail with an electric iron or on a one-burner stove, nursing really becomes primitive. And yet it is wonderful to think that we can give intravenouses and such important treatments."

Miss Irene Ahonen and Miss Jean Mather (1941) completed the work for the degree at Simmons College in January, and will receive their degrees at the June Commencement.

Mrs. H. G. Gilson (Ruth Johnston 1926) has been appointed nurse assistant to the Director of Health at Simmons College, and began her duties March 1.

A check for ten dollars was presented to the Social Service Fund by a grateful patient of Catherine F. Carleton (1910).

May L. Ryan (1917) is now assistant director of nurses at the Israel Zion Hospital, 4802 Tenth Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Thorvald S. Ross (Edith Parker 1922) is chairman of the Red Cross Recruiting Committee for Army and Navy Nurses in Cambridge. Reta Corbett (1923) is secretary for the same.

In February Mrs. Hugh L. Robinson (Olga Olsen 1915), and six other missionary wives received a joint Christmas cable from their husbands, now in Manila: "All well and busy."

The treasurer of the Alumnae Association received a cordial letter from Miss Kate E. Gile (1891) of Lebanon, N. H., with a generous check enclosed in appreciation of her contact with the Alumnae through the "Quarterly Record."

In December, 1942, Marion Llewella Bancroft (1941) received her B.S. degree in Public Health Nursing from the University of Minnesota. On January 4, 1943, she accepted a position with the San Francisco Visiting Nurses Association.

Sympathy is extended to Grace K. Perkins (1907) for the loss of her aged mother in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, on January 19, 1943.

Victoria C. Mayer (1915), Public Health nurse in Santa Fe, New Mexico, sends greetings to all her M.G.H. friends and wishes she could "get into active service again."

Dr. Frederick C. Irving (West Surgical 1911), Chief of the Staff at the Boston Lying-In Hospital, and a member of Base Hospital No. 6, was awarded the \$2500 prize of Houghton Mifflin Company for books on Life in America. His book "Safe Deliverance" will be of interest to many of the M. G. H. nurses.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Barter (Glee Marshall 1914) and son Frank of Saxtons River, New Hampshire, were visitors at the hospital recently

Mrs. Don Snow (Mildred H. Hubbard 1915) of Randolph, Maine, is spending several weeks with her sister, Hortense, in Salem, Massachusetts, while their aged mother is recovering from a major operation in the Salem Hospital.

Mrs. Charles A. Waldo (Lucille A. Howd) is now living in Connecticut; Mrs. Ralph E. Howe (Helen A. Lampinen) in Troy, New Hampshire, and Mrs. Burgess (Esther Pietrasek) in New Orleans, La. These are all members of the class of 1938.

Mrs. Fred Quance (Erthenia E. Graham 1931) who has been out of the nursing field for several years, is now the Red Cross Nurse for De Kalb County, Auburn, Indiana. Her work consists of school nursing, teaching Volunteer Nurses' Aides, and conducting home-nursing classes. Mrs. Quance is anxious to contact her classmate, Mrs. Reynolds C. Smith (Madeline M. Ross 1931).

While Captain Dan P. Briggs is stationed at Camp Hale, a mountain training camp in Colorado, his wife, Bertha Navas (1938) Briggs lives seventy miles away at 1013 Cooper Avenue, Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Margaret S. Arey (1931) recently completed the nine months' course in physical therapy at Harvard and the one month course on the Kenney treatment at the D. T. Watson school in Pennsylvania. She is now Assistant Consultant in Orthopedic nursing for the National Organization of Public Health Nursing, in New York City.

Mary Macdonald (1931) is consultant in Orthopedic nursing for the Boston Community Health Association.

Claire H. Pentecost (1940) Navy Nurse Corps, is teaching the "Waves" personal hygiene and such at Northampton, Massachusetts.

Elizabeth Pumphrey (1918) is a member of the admitting staff of the Sinai Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

Miss Minnie S. Hollingsworth (1897) writes that her aged mother passed away on December 29, 1942. Sympathy is extended to Miss Hollingsworth and we hope she will take a much needed rest.

In March Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Halton (Eleanor Delaney 1936) of Love Field, Dallas, Texas, flew home to Boston for a few days' vacation.

At a very impressive ceremony held in the Refectory of Simmons College on January 10, 1943, Miss Helen Wood, director of the School of Nursing, capped twenty-nine student nurses taking the five year course.

Excerpt from letter from Albertine T. Sinclair (1919) Superintendent of Nurses, Leahi Hospital, Honolulu, T. H., to Miss Sara E. Parsons, in December: . . . "All settled down to routine life of routine tasks and much war work. . . . Shortage of nurses and domestic help. . . . All workers in defense plants, laundries, public utilities and hospitals are frozen to their jobs. Cannot leave unless their release is approved by the Military Governor's office. This controls the shifting of workers from one job to another. . . . Dish breakage is terrible, and serious, as replacement is difficult . . . same trouble with orderlies (drunk). . . . Mary Williams (1917) heads a committee to Coördinate Nursing Facilities. Miss Sinclair's duty is to furnish the nurses. In this connection she has made a survey of all the hospitals. . . . Mrs. Eugene C. Warren (Marion L. Nelson 1919) has a position in the office of Civilian Defense connected with home nursing, and Mrs. Alvin R. Lamb (Helen Jordan 1916) is doing her bit. . . . Coffee and sugar are not rationed."

Elena N. Trayan (1920) writes that she is busy with Red Cross work, and has a knitting machine on which she hopes to produce many socks for the Army and Navy.

Mrs. Arthur N. Berry (Dorothea M. Keough 1929) is now living at 1017-23rd Avenue, Meridian, Mississippi, while Capt. Berry is attached to the Army Air Corps as surgical chief.

Dorothy E. Stoney (1929) is working with the Navajo Indian children.

Madeleine E. Ruest (1941) has just completed her nine months' certificate course at Simmons College, and plans working with the U. S. Public Health Service.

2nd Lt. Edwina N. Hussey, a member of the 5th General Hospital for over a year, is now stationed "Somewhere in England." She is the only nurse in the outfit who has had experience in eye, ear, nose and throat nursing, so she has had charge of the E. E. N. & T. Ward as well as the operating room. Her first furlough was spent in the lake district of Scotland.

Sympathy is extended to Helen O'Dea (1913) on the death of her brother, Lt. William H. O'Dea, a member of the Boston Fire Department for thirty-eight years.

Mrs. Henry A. Rasmussen (H. Pawnee McCall 1918) is living at 1090 Cherry St., Springfield, Missouri, and busy instructing Red Cross Aides.

Besides Marion Stevens's (1923) regular hospital duties at the Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan, she is giving Pediatric Nursing lectures to Refresher Groups, and Red Cross Volunteer Aides. Miss Stevens has been made a member of the faculty of Wayne University, where she lectures on "Trends in Pediatric Nursing."

Mrs. William I. McGrath (Margaret T. O'Neil 1934) is employed as First Aid Nurse at the Bethlehem-Hingham Shipyard, Inc., Hingham, Massachusetts.

Irene C. Stuart (1932) is industrial nurse in the White Machine Shop, Whitinsville, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Ardenia Greene (Ardenia Abbott 1930) and Ruth Horton (1941) have joined the Army Nurse Corps, and are stationed at Fort Devens.

Barbara Mary Edward (1942) is now on the staff of the Phillips House operating room. She replaced Lurana E. Egan (1940).

Mrs. Stanley J. Alling (Susan M. Jones 1932) is now living at 1005 Clinton Court, Highland Park, Illinois. She writes she would welcome letters from her friends.

Mrs. Carlton P. Chadbourne (Helen V. Oakes 1932) writes from New Guinea of hard but interesting and satisfying work. The days are far too short for the duties which fills them. Mrs. Chadbourne is serving as a nurse in the Army.

Friends of Mrs. Hilliard Campbell (Jean Dolan 1931) will be interested to know that she has spent the winter in her home town, Carleton Place, Ontario. Her husband has been transferred to southern Ontario.

Goldie E. Barton (1926) Army Nurse Corps, is in England. She writes of seeing London and vicinity via bicycle.

The February division of the class of 1940 held their third reunion at 112 Revere Street, Boston, on February 2, 1943. Fourteen were present. A letter was read from Mrs. Augustus Moody (Hope Berry Harlow) of Little Rock, Arkansas. After an evening of reminiscing, refreshments were served.

Helen Daily (1922), executive assistant M. G. H., spent a week in February at her home in Napanee, Ontario, Canada.

Friends of Marie D. Chandler (1926) will be sorry to hear of the death of her mother during the first part of February.

Grace Triggs (1941) is with the Navy Nurse Corps and is stationed at Newport, Rhode Island.

Marion Agnes Marchetti (1941) is taking the nine months' certificate course at Simmons College this semester. She was granted a leave of absence from Colby College, Waterville, Maine, where she is doing school nursing.

Martha Kimball (1941), Eleanor G. Nason (1942), Julia Sarad (1942) and Phyllis E. Smith (1942) have joined the Navy Nurse Corps and look very trig in their Navy Uniform with gold braid.

Barbara Campbell (1941) is doing industrial nursing with the American Aircraft, Westerly, Rhode Island.

Anna Marie Mulholland (1941) and Violet Kellogg (1941) are in England with the Army Nurse Corps.

Mrs. Harold J. Nelson (Marguerite A. McNeely 1928) of 14720 Alger Road, Cleveland, Ohio, writes to Miss McCrae that

she has had a busy year. She is President of the Parent-Teachers Association, helped equip four casualty stations and now has to produce eight nurses.

"MOTHER AND DAUGHTER" NEWS

Lieut. and Mrs. R. Perry Collins' (Marjorie Chambers, 1920) daughter Patricia was married in January to Lieut. Cordis M. Sargent in St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany, Georgia, where the bridegroom is stationed. Marjorie herself spends an occasional day in the M.G.H. Nursing Office to help with the records.

Mrs. Edward Buck (Louise Denison, 1920) is working part time in the Hartford Hospital, in Hartford, Conn. Her daughter Barbara is a student at the Katherine Gibbs School in Boston.

Among the members of the class who entered the School in February, 1943, was Barbara Everberg, daughter of of Mrs. Everburg (Francis A. Morton, 1915) of Woburn, Mass.

Massachusetts General Hospital Graduates now enrolled at Simmons College Nursing II Program — Public Health Nursing.

Ferrara, Josephine	1942	Maloney, Mary M.	1942
Hadley, Jean	1942	O'Neil, Charlotte M.	1942
Hartnett, Virginia	1941	Settle, Muriel	1942

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Campana, Marion	1941	Marchetti, Marion	1941
Manninen, Sylvia	1941	Ulrich, Elizabeth	1937

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4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

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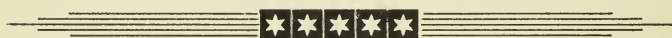
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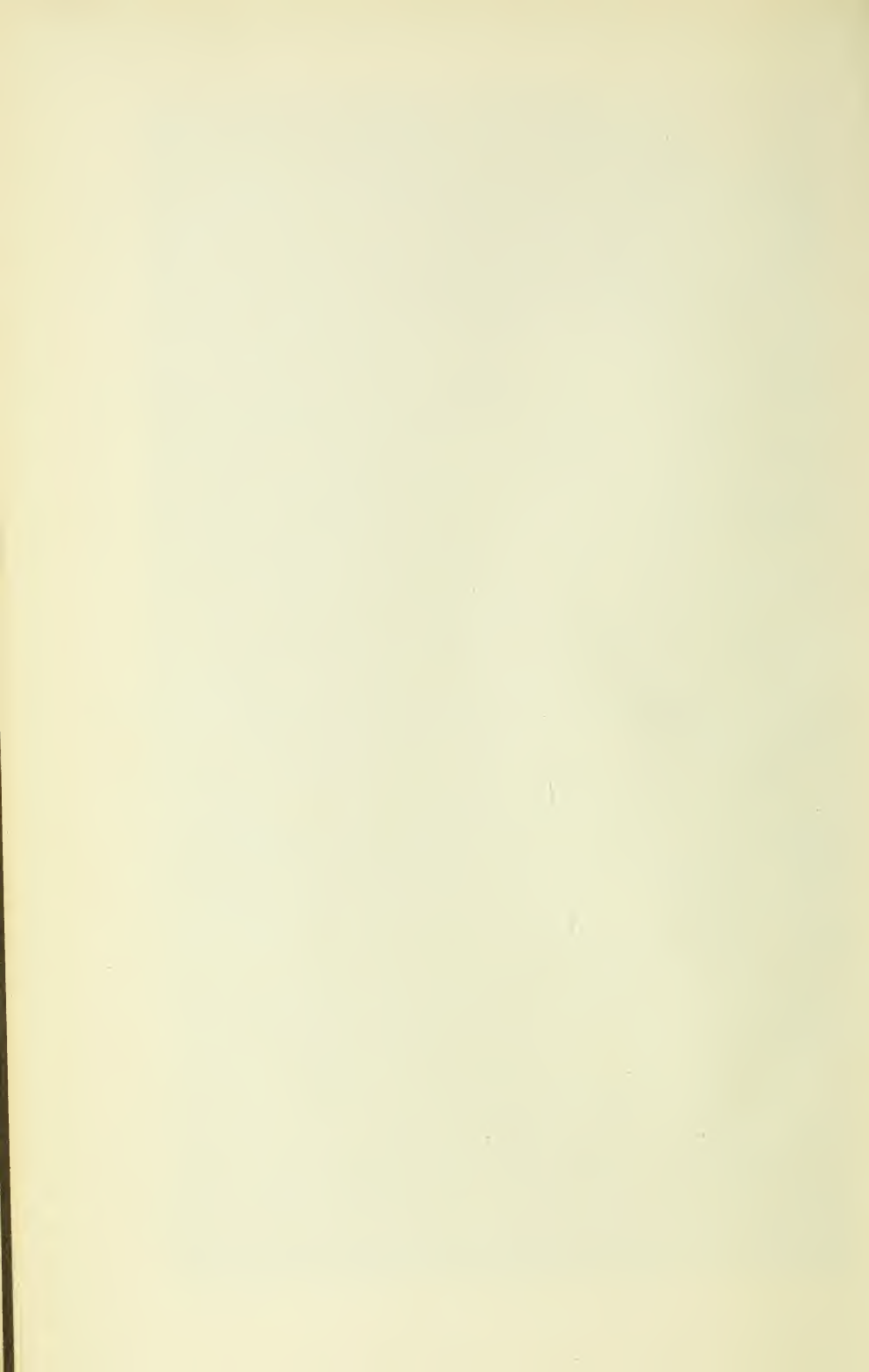
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Spreading its leafless blooms in a damp nook,
To please the desert and the sluggish brook.
The purple petals fallen in the pool,
Made the black water with their beauty gay;
Here might the red-bird come his plumes to cool,
And court the flower that cheapens his array.
Rhodora! if the sages ask thee why
This charm is wasted on the earth and sky,
Tell them, dear, that if eyes were made for seeing,
Then Beauty is its own excuse for being.
Why thou wert there, O rival of the rose!
I never thought to ask, I never knew:
But, in my simple ignorance, suppose
The self-same Power that brought me there, brought you.
RALPH WALDO EMERSON

Because the pastures and road-sides in Maine and New Hampshire were ablaze with "Rhodora," I thought the verse appropriate.—D. T.

AN APPEAL TO THE ALUMNAE

Though nurses as a group are disciplined to speak with caution and restraint, this June issue of the 1943 *Quarterly* finds the M. G. H. in a position which makes even nurses New England born and bred resort to such highly colored adjectives as precarious or perilous. Accustomed as we are to thinking in terms of need rather than capacity, we still must recognize that the human frame and spirit can not compensate infinitely, but beyond a certain point must fail. As head of your school and the Nursing Service of the Massachusetts General Hospital, as an old friend of many of you, and as one whose life work is the defense of an institution very dear to you all, Miss Johnson feels that you have the same right to know the truth that the American people had when the war was going against us. But as the immediate situation claims most of her time and strength, and the League's fiftieth convention this month has exacted from her the preparation of a round table discussion and incidentally a graduation address, time comes for the *Quarterly* to go to press without her having been able to fulfill her intent to appeal directly to each and every one of you. Rather than leave the thing undone, she has asked a member of her staff to speak for her. By proxy Miss Johnson herself is telling you what has happened to us, what we have tried to do to help ourselves, and what you might do for us.

Suppose we consider our present ward situation in terms of what it means to our patients, to our student nurses, and to our head nurses. The surgical floors in the White Building accommodate forty patients in three wings separated by long, long corridors. Geography alone makes a nurse to a wing the minimum for effective service at those times of day when one merely has to maintain the status quo by answering lights and assisting doctors. Yet it is no uncommon thing to begin the day—temperatures, breakfasts, early rounds which leave all the dressings down, complete morning care—with just two nurses to the floor in addition to the head nurse and perhaps an assistant.

On Monday, May 17, the orthopedic ward had twenty-three patients, relatively helpless by definition. The ward was staffed by a head nurse on duty alone from 7-1:30, off 1:30-4, on 4-7, and by one student nurse on duty 1:30-4, at class 4-6, and on 6:30-11. There was no time from 7 A.M. to 11 P.M. that one person was not both in charge of and alone on the ward according to the time slip. Thus the Nursing Office faced the problem of finding other

wards which could supply enough relief for the orthopedic ward to function. Consider, even so, the loss of comfort to patients when all their morning nurses are strangers who may never have seen the ward before. Consider the loss of ward efficiency when a head nurse in such a situation or in any situation must orient a succession of new students for the sake of three or four hours' service from each. Consider how a head nurse must feel when she faces Monday morning without one single nurse whom she had on Saturday. Would you like to know what nurses were sent her? The Infirmary nurse relieved from 8:30-3:30, an operating nurse from 7-10:30, a medical nurse from 10-4, and a graduate part-time nurse from 3-7. Two afternoon Red Cross Aides were assigned, but both were absent.

Lest it seem that some services are penalized, consider the skin ward of Saturday, May 29, 1943. The head nurse had her afternoon. The senior nurse graduated at 11 A.M. One student, after six hours in Skin Out-Patient Clinic, had the afternoon off and worked from 7-11 P.M. on the ward (the extra time was made up to her another day). A second Out-Patient nurse was on the ward from 2:30 to 4:30. Thus according to the time slip which went to the Office, the head nurse was alone from 11-1, and from 1-2:30 and from 4:30-7 there was no nurse whatever. Since no ward could spare a nurse for the whole period, four students came to relieve from three medical wards and the neurological floor. Their length of stay varied from two to five hours, and there never were more than two at one time. Two had had the ward weeks or months before; two had not, yet they were relieving on a special service. This is precarious if not perilous.

On medical wards the situation has been somewhat less complex. The head nurse and one student are alone with their twenty patients most of the day. For brief intervals there may be two students, or the head nurse may be alone.

To you who are reading Miss Johnson's message, the ward situation may now seem like chaos itself. Shall we, then, consider how it must seem to an undergraduate nurse, who came as a *student* to learn and who expects a situation to some extent controlled and persons on the ward to teach her as two essentials in her learning process? She finds her head nurse doing floor duty and her supervisor struggling with time slips. She goes to class so tired by what she has done and so troubled by what has been left undone that, though an hour's respite may be welcome, she is as likely to fall asleep or to plan what she shall do when she gets back as to make the most of a class hour; yet she has more classes per week than her predecessors, because they must be crowded into a little more than two clinical years instead of two years and eight months.

In common with other schools, we are taking part in the acceleration program whereby students may be freed for a final six months of army service as undergraduates, or, if we may keep them in our schools, we shall then have a nucleus of senior students without a class load. Meanwhile, in addition to her classes, for which a student has assignments to prepare, she may have worked on three different wards that day. Here is an actual day spent by a senior student in May 1943:

7-9:30 in charge of East Female Medical Ward (head nurse on vacation) but with patients assigned.

9:30-1 time off duty.

1-2:30 in charge of and alone on East Male Medical Ward (head nurse's afternoon).

2:30-3:30 East Female Medical Ward.

3:30-7 in charge of Skin Ward, where she had not worked for months.

Granted there is a certain grim satisfaction in surviving such a day; yet through it runs the knowledge that no one is truly adequate to such a program, and that mistakes, accidents, and dangerous omissions are averted as much by the grace of God as one's own skill. Such a hand-to-mouth existence is demoralizing. Never to be able to satisfy her patients' needs is exhausting to a nurse with an imagination and a conscience. She has also continually to balance that deeply ingrained deliberation which requires her to check everything, taking nothing for granted, against an imperative demand to work at top speed. This can be done safely only in a thoroughly familiar situation. The worst single feature of our shortage may be the way that students piece out the day from one ward to another, even from service to service. There was once a rule that a nurse relieving should not give medicines, but what if no one, not even the head nurse, is there who belongs. It must be said that students are as gallant about accepting these hazards as patients are uncomplaining about the irregularities of their care.

You may wonder why, in a school so large, there should be such a shortage. First of all, the shrinkage in non-nursing personnel has grown astronomically. Ward helpers, maids, orderlies, house men are so decreased in numbers that nurses are performing many duties which are not theirs, and still our housekeeping has fallen off. One dietary maid was so nearly blind that she set up one tray with three forks and another with three knives. Streaked windows in the White Building distort the fine view; floors do not get washed when they should; they are swept many times by nurses. The night supervisors just manage to avoid pushing oxygen tanks. Women are now allowed to wheel patients on stretchers. Of 54 floor duty nurses authorized for the General Hospital, something

like seven remain on the staff. The Baker is supplied with fifty students or more constantly. Affiliations and special services absorb a larger number as the school grows, and there are more to be sent on vacations. Because the final month of each semester has a lighter class load, more students are sent on vacation at that time, though some vacations are scattered throughout the year. The fact that May ended the spring trimester is the reason that month has been so critical a period. September will be much the same.

What of our head nurses in these times? They take their turn at being alone on the ward, which means that then, if at no other time, they must give every kind of service required. The head nurses on one service were asked by their supervisor to keep a record week by week of their activities which might be considered staff nursing. Space forbids discussion of these records, but here is a sampling from one ward. During a week's time the head nurse made twelve occupied beds, twenty-two empty beds, swept the floor twice, performed terminal disinfection once, admitted five patients, and carried trays for five meals. Partly as a result of such activities, head nurses have to a considerable extent given up their own great opportunity to learn, that of attending the visiting man's rounds, and now join him only when he needs a chaperon. Of head nurses as of all groups we must remember that the strain both on physical health and on morale is cumulative.

Enough, perhaps, of our trials. For some of our attempts at self-preservation you are referred to the minutes of the April Alumnae meeting on another page of this issue. They do not tell that some patients' temperatures are now taken only once a day at three P.M., that patients make their own beds and pass trays and pitchers, even sweep floors if able. The minutes do not say that doctors cooperate to the fullest extent in omitting treatments if possible. And yet all these things and more are true. Lest it appear that all our efforts are negative and that we are losing our precious *raison d'être*, may one add that we have saved lives with that infinitely precious drug, penicillin; that some patients have been given thiouracil which *may* prove to regulate thyrotoxic patients better than iodine; and that, believing modified Kenny packs to be an improvement over the E. W. poultice, we are using them for an increasing number of medical and surgical patients, despite the fact that special equipment is needed, and that two nurses must work together. We are more conscious than we used to be of the importance of morale. As an instance, though we are less able to spare students than in the days when they were refused special time, we find some way now to give a brief leave of absence when a student comes to the office to explain that her boy friend has a furlough, perhaps his last before he leaves the country.

Now may one say a word about volunteers? Whether they are part-time graduates, Red Cross aides, orderlies, maids, messengers, or miscellaneous, we are grateful. We know that we could not function without them as a group, and we know that many of them give individual contributions that stand out. Usually volunteers are nice people to know and work with. But we are anxious, too, that the public and especially our own Alumnae are not deceived as to our unfulfilled needs and the additional problems which volunteers create.

1. It is a job to get them. The energy going into that can not go into something else.
2. It is a job to train them. The difficulty of getting people to do it means that
 - a. often volunteers must be trained by people with too many other duties, as for example the night supervisors have given classes to orderlies;
 - b. volunteers are likely to receive inadequate follow-up on the wards, which is both a hazard and a loss of efficiency.
3. It is a job to keep them. Some tend to lose interest unless it is stimulated, and we have no person whose job is the upkeep of morale among volunteers.
4. Because they are part-time people, there is a problem comparable to that when nurses are sent to relieve for short periods. Two workers four hours each are not equivalent to one worker eight hours. This is aggravated by the fact that Monday's volunteers are gone Tuesday, and someone else takes over on Wednesday.
5. Because our volunteers and part-time paid workers have other responsibilities, their service tends to be concentrated at certain hours of the day. It is fine to have two extra nurses from 3-6, but that does not help the fact that from 1-3 we have none. 7-9 A.M. and 5-7 P.M. are perhaps our busiest hours; yet we have few part-time workers then. On Sundays and holidays our students work only six hours, but volunteers and part-time paid workers are not available in numbers adequate to make up the difference.
6. All these things means that, dependent as we are on each individual contribution, volunteer service absorbs much professional service to keep it going.

Finally, what can you, our Alumnae, do for us? We would welcome you all in some capacity. We need nursing service, we need help in supervising volunteers, we need people to organize the vast amount of good will of convalescent patients and the com-

munity so that it can be harnessed in to effective service. We do not ask you to come in uniform. We welcome you from the ends of the earth, but you do not need to come at all. If you are needed where you are, whether in nursing or your own home, send us an applicant in your place. Graduate nurses continue to go from us; volunteers leave many of our needs unfilled; the only hope we can see is in an enlarged student body. We want sixty students July 1 and sixty more September 1. You can appreciate that older, well prepared applicants are urgently needed. We have made no change in our requirements for admission, but we are taking some eighteen-year-olds, because we must have students, and there seem to be fewer older applicants now that many have joined the WAAC and the WAVE. Perhaps some of you can take part in a recruiting program as well as sending us your friends and relatives. We believe that even in these times we have much to offer them in the way of education, and in the way of service they need never question whether they are helping to win the war and build a better world.

GRACE P. FOLLETT,
M. G. H. 1939

LEAFLET DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT HOSPITAL

Massachusetts General Hospital The Effect of War on Hospital Service

Nurses have gone to war. The Armed Services will require a large percentage of all registered nurses. This means fewer for civilian hospital needs. Special nurses will always be needed but should not be asked for by either doctors or patients except for serious illness. The Boston hospitals have unanimously agreed to supply special nurses, if obtainable, only upon order of the physician in charge. The hospital administration reserves the right to transfer nurses, with the physician's approval, when necessary to provide immediate care for very sick patients.

The number of hospital floor nurses has also been greatly reduced by the war. Patients should remember this before making requests for special services. Each patient is asked to assist himself insofar as his condition permits. Visitors, flowers and telephone messages should be kept at a minimum so as to reduce the work of the nurses as much as possible.

Hospitals are also having great difficulty in obtaining adequate numbers of other personnel: technicians, orderlies, ward helpers, maids, porters, elevator operators; in fact there is a shortage in every department. It will be helpful if patients remember this and

accept delays and deficiencies in service that in normal times would not be tolerated. This is one of the disciplines of wartime.

With a depleted medical staff, fewer nurses, and a reduced number of employees in all departments, the Massachusetts General Hospital is trying to maintain its accustomed service to the community.

The cooperation of all patients is requested.

**Copy of a letter sent to Helen L. Baker
by Constance Bourne, 2nd Lt. A.N.C. (1938)**

N-751149 48th Evacuation Hospital
A.P.O. 689 C/o Postmaster
New York, New York

March 22, 1943

Dear Miss Baker :

I have a Quarterly record here which I treasure very much. Have read and reread it. Thought I would write to give you my new address.

Since I last visited the M.G.H. I have travelled far. I joined the 48th Evacuation Army Hospital. Was taken into it in 3 days. The Hospital was already alerted when I joined and I had a week to get ready for foreign service. My orders came Dec. 26 and Jan. 26 I crossed the equator. Was initiated into the realm of Neptunes Rex with an elaborate ceremony. Am now somewhere in India. I can hardly believe it myself. Am learning to speak Hindustane. Have met some charming Burmese nurses and college girls. We stopped at an American Mission Hospital where we all felt right at home. The Indian doctor there showed us around.

Our trip over was wonderful. Just like a vacation cruise. We had dances on deck in the early evening and we put on shows. The enlisted men made up a fine orchestra for the dancing. Nurses and Officers were allowed on deck in the evening. The hardest part was going to bed in the pitch blackness. Have travelled quite a bit thru India and find it very fascinating. We have a number of servants. A Bearer is in charge of all the servants. A Beastee carries water and brings quantities of hot water to us when we shout "pani." A sweeper does nothing but sweep and is of a low caste. There are so many castes and religions it is confusing.

Our money has been changed into the Indian system. They use Rupees, $\frac{1}{2}$ rupees, Annos, $\frac{1}{2}$ annos, and smaller pieces which we don't see many of. There are 5-, 10-, and 100-Rupee notes.

The cows and goats roam around everywhere. A cow put her head in the door awhile ago. I thought it would come in for tea. We learned to have tea in the afternoon and look forward to

it. People live leisurely in India. The British believe in feeding us small meals frequently, and were astounded at our appetites.

The British Officers entertained us royally at one place where we stopped. Dances and Concerts were given in our honor. They kept us so busy we were practically worn out, and looked forward to travelling again so as to get some rest. They were very nice to us.

At present we are living in a Boskar or Barracks made of bamboo. We expect to leave this luxury and cut a place out of the jungles soon.

We wear slacks and high boots all of the time. Have done no nursing yet.

The weather is mild excepting during the monsoons which we expect soon. Then it will rain for 3 months.

Have seen elephants, monkeys, water buffalos and ox carts. This country where I am now, reminds me of the book "Dragon Seed." Where I am now, the people certainly live off the land. Their houses are made of grass, clay, mud and straw or bamboo.

Tea grows in abundance. We have very little candy, few American cigarettes, and little coffee. Tea is the popular beverage.

Someone has a victrola here with a number of old records, but we love them. There are movies out of doors once or twice a week.

At present, from where I sit, I can see a large number of vultures or buzzards gazing down at us from an old tree. They are very patient, but not pleasant to look at, otherwise the scenery is very beautiful. The flowers are bright colors and pungent.

The Burmese girls draped us in a Sari, an Assamese dress and Burmese dress. I'll probably wear a Sari to my next dance in the States. They are very beautiful and made by draping five yards of material in a certain fashion.

Yes, India is very fascinating and I am glad to be here.

Hope some of the girls will write me a note sometime. Received my first mail from the States a few days ago and we were so excited we could hardly open the letters. Mail is our chief source of excitement. We just live for news from home.

I meant to just write to tell you of my new address, but once one gets started on India there is no stopping.

Hope to go home the other way round which is much shorter, thereby completing a trip around the world.

Sincerely,

CONSTANCE BOURNE, 2nd Lt. A.N.C.
Class of '38

P. S. Miss Maher may be interested to know where we are. She probably does tho. This Unit is made up of mostly R. I. doctors and nurses whom she knows.

**Copy of letter to Miss Adele Corkum
from Lt. Grace R. Babcock, A.N.C.**

6th General Hospital
A.P.O. 668 C/o Postmaster
New York, New York

April 14, 1943

Dear Adele:

After being here for several weeks, the novelty of being in a strange country has worn off. Things hardly seem worth while to write home about any more. When I do get home, it will probably seem strange not to see the dirty Arabs running around.

I am on night duty now. I have three small officer's wards, — patients, and it's just busy enough to make the time pass quickly. Tonight I am specializing a fractured skull and in between, blood pressures, etc. I hope I can manage to finish this letter. My patient is in the corner of a 90-bed ward, and I am writing by lantern light which isn't too good.

We are quite busy now and have quite a number of patients. We have quite a nice set up but there are still a few places where we have to improvise a good deal. But that's half the fun of the work over here. We make all of our own supplies, of course, and sponge containers, etc. are not too plentiful. The other night I made sponge cans out of large fruit juice cans. They work very nicely, with the sharp edges taped and cardboard covers. The dressing carts are very interesting over here. Everyone uses her own ideas and on each ward there is something new and different in the way of sterile containers, etc. I hope I'm not painting the picture too roughly, because we do have quite a bit of equipment to work with. There are a few things that we do not have enough of, so we make them.

When the nurses of the last Unit said they had never cared for better patients than the soldiers, they weren't spoofing. These boys can certainly take it. They are the most cheerful and appreciative bunch of boys anyone could wish for. They certainly think a lot of the nurses too. They tell us about the nurses who work in the evacuation hospitals and field units; how they wear fatigue suits and G.I. boots, and the long hours they put in. One boy told me that where he was first hospitalized the nurses did the washing so that the patients could have clean sheets. When I hear of what some nurses have to do, I think of the soft job that I have here.

Probably you would like to hear a little about the place. Well here goes—We are located in quite a nice fairly modern city. The hospital is set up in what was a girls' school and is not far from the center of town. Our temporary quarters are in the dormitories

of a boys' school, about a ten-minute walk from the hospital. The boys are still having classes there; they range from kindergarten age thru high school. Between the two dormitory buildings there is a large athletic field. They seem to have gym classes more than anything else, but I suppose it's because there are so many that the place always seems swarmed with boys.

Some of the homes seem very nice, (I haven't visited any yet) and nearly every home is surrounded by a high wall and has lovely gardens and hedges. Across from the school there is a public garden and playground for the children. The garden reminds me somewhat of the Boston Public Gardens.

A tour of the shopping district is very interesting. I haven't been in the native section yet, just in the modern part. They have several large department stores just as at home. Very few things can be purchased without a ticket. We have our own quarter-master store where we can buy almost anything that we need. Everytime we go down town, we ride home in a horse and carriage, which costs only about eight or ten francs (or 16 or 20 cents), for four or five together.

It seems like a huge masquerade party to walk down the street. I've seen all sorts of Arabs, rich and poor. The poorer class wear any old rag, or rags that they can get their hands on. The patches are remarkable that some of them have, just like your grandmother's crazy quilt. Some don't even bother with patches; they appear to wear several layers of material, each one as ragged as the other, but I guess the holes overlap. What amuses me is the way some of them carry their shoes on their head, especially if it's raining. We've also seen some very distinguished, elegantly dressed Arabs. They wear very clean, white or cream-colored togas (or whatever you may call them).

The children are very amusing. They ask for chewing gum, candy and cigarettes. We used to be surprised if we were answered back in good old American slang. Now we're surprised if one of them doesn't know a few choice American phrases. The soldiers amuse themselves by teaching the children a little English. The French children are very different. Those that we see here at the school are quite well dressed, and very well mannered. Many of them can speak English fairly well. They teach us French and in turn they brush up on their English. I must say that I haven't been doing very well on my French, but I have picked up a little.

We have quite a bit of fun in our off duty time. There is most always a dance somewhere on Saturday nights. We have had two of our own already, both were very successful. I went to the first one and wore an evening dress. It seemed wonderful to get out of the uniform for a change.

Nearly everything closes, or I mean everything does close at ten p.m. downtown. There is an officers' club and several other small places to go to. Some of the outfits have their own clubs which stay open later. However, we have to be in at ten-thirty, except with special permission. It's a good thing because we have to get up about five-thirty to be at breakfast at six-fifteen a.m., We are getting an excellent training, and when we get home, we'll probably swing right back into arising at the last minute. I'm afraid that I will, because I still hate to get up that early. I'm not sure that I can stand it for the duration.

Have you heard from Huie yet? She was going on nights as night supervisor this month, but she got the measles. Ethel Slatery says hello. She just finished her night duty.

I nearly forgot to mention that Capt. Ballantine, Lt. Giddings and Lt. Klemperer were here a few weeks ago. I don't know whether they have left or not. Ballantine has a moustache now. Can you picture him?

Say hello to Alma for me and the rest of the gang. Oh yes, Adele, I'm so glad that you took good care of my mother for me. I've had two letters from her since and she's feeling pretty well now. Write soon.

Love,
GRACIE

**Excerpts from letter from 2nd Lt. Mildred Ethier
(1920) who is receiving desert training in Arizona**

June 1, 1943

"Life goes on out here—getting hotter and hotter. Patients come and go, and our only hope is that we'll pack up and move ourselves one of these days.

"We all went through the infiltration test last week. In case you haven't heard of that I'll give you a rough description. We dress in coveralls, boots and steel helmets, get into a trench, and at a given signal, crawl out and over the desert on our bellies for a distance of 75 feet under the constant machine gun fire, thirty inches over our head. We have to crawl under two barbed-wire fences and then roll into another trench on the other side. It is supposed to teach us how to escape from the enemy. It was only 110° in the shade so you can imagine what we all looked like by the time we got out. But they say we did a good job and made the course in a record time of fifteen minutes. All but three of us had practiced the course without the gun fire. We had been left behind that day to cover the hospital.

"We are up for all kinds of training now. Guess we're getting

ready for action. They even say we are to be issued pistols and taught how to shoot.

"We have lots of fun mixed in with the trials, though. There are about ten of us who go on swimming parties and picnics together. We swim in the irrigation canal about a mile from camp. Go down in the afternoon, take a picnic supper which we eat in our wet bathing suits, and then walk home over the desert by moonlight—and do we have fun.

"Just now we are all restricted to the hospital area for an indefinite period, which means that our fun is over for the time being. Hope it won't last long.

"Calisthenics start to-day and are scheduled for 5.30 a.m. before it gets too hot to bend and stretch and twist.

"I am night supervisor again and so have to walk the desert all by myself hoping the snakes will stay out of my paths. Did I tell you I encountered a rattler on the desert one night? Put my foot down and heard one rattle right at my heel. I ran as fast as I could and didn't stop to look—the sound was enough.

"The airplanes are zooming around here all night long. The air base is just down the road and they have a flying school there. I'm getting so used to the sound of them that I'm afraid I'd be lonesome if I didn't hear it."

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The A.N.A. Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

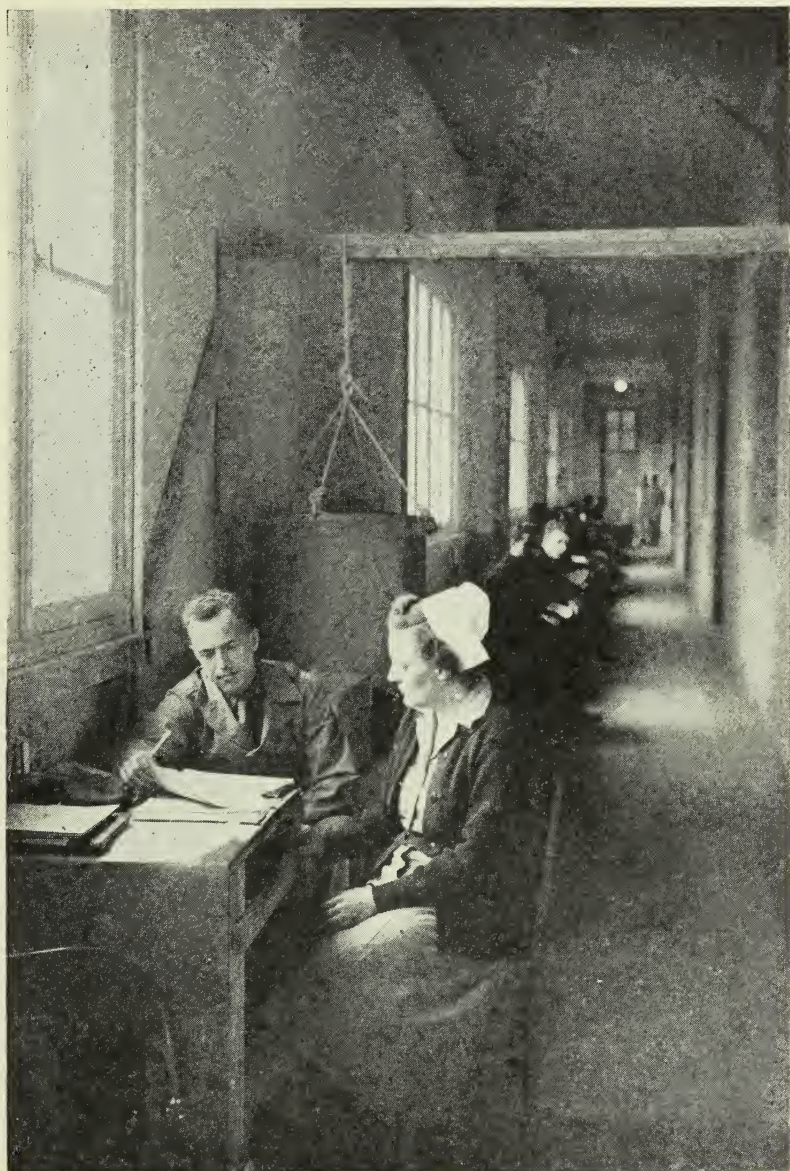
The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses—Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses—Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.



Photo—Major Herbert P. MacNeal, M.C.
Entrance to the Sixth General Hospital.



Photo—Major Herbert P. MacNeal, M.C.

Medical Ward of 6th General Hospital with Captain Ingalls and Miss Hollister on duty 24 hours after debarkation.

NEWS FROM SIXTH GENERAL HOSPITAL*(Reprinted from The News)*

Colonel Goethals' welcome report to Dr. Faxon of the transfer of our unit to North Africa was dated February 25 and written from Headquarters 6th General Hospital, A.P.O. 668, c/o Postmaster, New York:

One month to the day elapsed between our departure from our quondam station and our arrival in the Theater of Operations. The history of this unit will reveal dates, routes and incidents in due course, but for the moment censorship forbids all but a few details.

Our trips to the Port was uneventful and was conducted by Captains Heyl and Sullivan with all the "aplomb" of veteran transportation officers. Debarkation was effected in a convoy, the conduct of which spoke highly for the efficiency of the Army Transport Service. For myself I can only say that, as a veteran of two wars, I had no more qualms at crossing the sub-infested sea at my present ripe age than I had on R.M.S. "Saxonia" in 1917 when I was a callow and enthusiastic youth in my twenties. The nurses had a rush of officers at their beck and call and were organizing their "dates" at so much time per day per escort before the journey ended. There was a gentle sea, and an infinitesimal incidence of *mal de mer*.

Four officers,—Captains Ingalls, Holland, Sturgis and Ludwig,—and twenty-four nurses are temporarily on detached service, but we hope to get them back before long. Colonel Talbott was detached from us for duty with the Office of The Quartermaster General the day before we sailed: this, despite a long distance telephone call to The Surgeon General requesting that the order detaching Talbott be rescinded!

It will intrigue you and Colonel Washburn both to know that we are being set up in a college and an associated school. Shades of the *Lycée de Talence* of 1917! Much work has been done to convert the buildings for their projected use, and we are gratified by the progress made before our arrival. We are well quartered, amply fed on field ration "B," and in a climate reminiscent of Boston in late May. Our setup in many respects is reminiscent of the White Building, believe it or not. The Surgeon has done us proud, and we are ready to go into action after our equipment is sorted and set up and a little more construction has been accomplished.

Best regards from us all to all at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

From Lt. Col. James R. Lingley, through the X-ray Department, comes a delightfully informal supplement to Colonel Goethals' letter:

Well, aren't we in luck? It's worth all the time at Blanding to have fallen into a situation like this. To begin where I left off on the ship's log, the remainder of the voyage was quite uneventful. Our landing was held up . . . during which we remained on the boat looking longingly at dry land and studying as much as we could see of the city through field glasses. We disembarked after dark and were taken in ambulances through a complete black-out, still without the faintest idea of where we were going but expecting to be parked in tents or even shelter-halves somewhere outside the city limits. What was our surprise to have the convoy turn in at the most beautiful park-like grounds and deposit us in front of a magnificent cement and marble palace!

The *Collège des Jeunes Filles* is now the 6th General Hospital and if the school is any indication, the young ladies must have been multi-millionaires. By additions here and there and by much remodeling, we are making it over into a hospital. . . . The classrooms are becoming wards, an operating suite has been added and we are taking over a large garage for wards. The officers of field grade are at present billeted on the girls' dormitory floor which is constructed entirely of marble. Each of us has a booth in which there is a bed with straw mattress, a small bureau, mirror, sink, with running water.

We expect to be here only about ten days, as this floor will be used for officer patients and we shall be billeted in hotels or private homes. Every department is getting a place to work in that exceeds its wildest expectations—except the X-ray Department. We are getting the only wooden building in the place and it is a very old French antique which cannot be torn down because of historical reasons. However, we arrived just in time to cancel the contemplated remodelling plans and I have submitted my own plans of just how I want it laid out. Gee, it's wonderful to have a real job of work to do and to be so busy that there's no time for anything else. Our first patients are arriving so we must do everything at double time to get ready for them.

I'm sorry I can't tell you the name of the city. It is a vacation resort with a climate about like that of Southern California. About half its population is Berber, and half French. French is the predominant language and practically all the stores are French. The houses are all made of cement and stucco and some of the buildings are very beautiful. There are department stores that look very much like Fifth Avenue. Every store, however, looks like the day after a bargain sale, the stock being depleted to a few articles no one would think of buying. I have seen no slums yet—the entire city being composed of stores and very large modern-looking apartment houses. On every corner there is a café with tables out on

the sidewalk, and these places are very well patronized, the French people apparently parking there most of the day while they drink wine and watch the passers-by. The passing throng is really something to watch, too. I doubt if you find so many different costumes anywhere else in the world. The Arab males wear white robes or burnouses, and are the most evil looking cut-throats you ever saw. The females wear white robes and are veiled so that only their eyes are visible.

The French are very easy to get along with. They are very polite. The women are the last word in beauty culture. There are innumerable varieties of native military uniforms most of them remarkable for their bright colors. Then there are the French soldiers and sailors, English, Canadian and Australian soldiers, and plenty of American soldiers and gobs. It is better than any circus just to stand on a street corner and look.

One vessel of the convoy carrying General Hospital No. 6 to North Africa was so badly damaged by accident, not by act of the enemy, that it could not proceed. Four of our officers and twenty-four of our nurses were compelled to turn back. We are happy to say they have rejoined their companions and are busy with them at the hospital that is being rapidly developed somewhere in North Africa.

An interesting account of General Hospital No. 6 on the high seas, and the safe crossing of the major part of the unit, can be presented through permission to publish these paragraphs of an informal letter from Captain Hamilton:

Aboard U.S.A.T.

10 Feb. 1943

We pulled out very quietly in the wee small hours the other morning and are at present riding the high seas in fine shape. We are, so far at least, in convoy. It certainly is reassuring to see the ring of escorting vessels on the horizon. Our ship is a good-sized one, but very well populated. Cols. and Lt. Cols., are treated to the luxury of a small double room with beds and a bath. Majors are in bunks, three deep, six to such a room. Our rooms are a little larger, with bath, and nine (count 'em) of us. I am in the uppermost by the port.

The men are packed in pretty tight, as you might well imagine, but it isn't as bad as I had feared. There are two or three officers up there with them at all times, and they sing a lot. They have free access to most decks, so they go out when they want to. That helps a lot. There is no smoking on deck after dark; decks are cleared at 9 P.M., and rules about throwing trash overboard are very strict.

This last, of course, is so we won't leave a long long trail winding behind us.

It has been rolling a bit, especially when we cut across the waves, and a few of the boys are a bit woozy, but nothing serious. Our gravest inconvenience is that we must use cold salt water to keep clean. That isn't too bad. I use an ounce or so from my canteen to wet my shaving brush, and get along well.

Later

I have forsaken Col. King's palatial room this morning and am seated atop my bunk, feet hanging over and typewriter on knees. The sea is flattening out but there is still some roll. Almost everyone has his sea legs by now. Since the weather will be very old stuff by the time this letter reaches you, it won't do any harm to talk a little about it. It has been a lot like early June on Cape Cod except that there has been no fog. Occasionally we get a light rain, but for the most part it has been partly cloudy; occasionally warm enough to go on deck without a field jacket, but usually it is a welcome addition. Overall we wear a life jacket of kapok, which as you know, is quite warm. These are known as Mae Wests because most of the padding is where hers is.

Each day we have at least one "abandon ship" drill; it is surprising how quickly they get everyone out on deck. Whenever we go up for our turn around we wear our belt with canteen so that if they have a drill we won't have to buck the line to go back for ours.

One or two mornings we have been treated to gun drill. The first morning it came as a complete surprise. All of a sudden it sounded like all hell had broken loose. It appears that the ship which is to practice runs up a red flag, and shortly thereafter away they go. The tracers are what make it interesting, for without them there would be very little except noise. They leave the muzzle as a white flash which very soon changes to a red ball. It resembles, more than anything else, a rocket, but it has a much flatter trajectory, goes much faster, lasts lots longer, and doesn't explode (No stars!). To us who have done shooting it is fascinating, for you follow the course of your bullet.

I know Ann will be delighted to hear that we had some of her beloved blimps over and round us on the first day out. It wasn't so very rough, but there was a good wind blowing and let me tell you they can have their job. Those things rolled and pitched like bucking broncos. We are now escorted by seaplanes put off from escorting vessels.

We eat two meals a day in three shifts. I eat at 7:30 and 4:30. A bit of a gap in between, but we manage on chocolate bars. The food is plentiful and delicious. To our surprise we eat at tables, with table cloths, abundant silverware (no licking your fork so it

will be clean for the pie) and good table service. I am getting used to eating two meals a day, and ride along beautifully on "Eskimo pie" which is dispensed at noon each day. But don't think for a minute I don't pack the food away when the occasion arises.

We get a great kick out of the pleasure our nurses and civilians are getting from walking around trailed by innumerable second lieutenants. They are of course greatly outnumbered by the men, and are in their glory.

Later

Yesterday was warm and cloudless, with an almost flat sea; just a gentle roll to the ship. Today scattered clouds again, but still very warm and pleasant. Yesterday they distributed booklets on North Africa, so we may assume that is our destination, or we are being fooled.

It is surprising how well the men have acclimated themselves to their crowded living quarters. The first thing they wanted to know was whether the Colonel had to wash and shave in salt water; when they found he did, then they were happy.

It was about 8:00 A.M. a week ago that we cleared —, so it is safe to assume we are now over half way across. The old ocean is really flat, and has been for some days. One interesting thing happened the other night, though we knew nothing about it until the next day. Seems that shortly after midnight one of the destroyers in the outer screen of the convoy spotted a lighted boat. He approached her, found her to be a Portuguese merchantman. She was boarded, searched, and allowed to proceed, though I suspect it will be unhealthy for her to use her radio for a few days. Seaplanes from escorting vessels cavort around and about most all day. The vessels in the convoy are continuously changing their relative positions, and the group changes its position so often you have no idea except by the weather where we are or where we are going. To stand on deck you'd swear we've been going northeast ever since we left the U.S.

Meals continue to be excellent, and I have been getting to bed very early for several reasons: I am tired; there is nothing else to do; these two-foot-wide bucket-shaped so-called beds require 10 hours for 6 hours' sleep—and if I stay up I'll get hungry again.

This admirably comprehensive letter gives a later picture of the unit as established and in operation:

HEADQUARTERS 6TH GENERAL HOSPITAL

A. P. O. No. 668 New York, New York

March 16, 1943

Dear Dr. Faxon:

Administrator ad Administratorissimum, te saluto! The fore-

going effusion is due to the fact that for the past three weeks and more I have been a consulting mason, carpenter, electrician and,—say it softly,—plumber! As always, in wartime, the pendulum swings from morbid inaction to hectic action, and we are now in the climactic stage of the latter.

When I last wrote you, we had just arrived. Our first patient was an exacuee from the combat zone via airplane on February 27. He had been in an automobile smashup, had suffered fracture of two dorsal vertebrae, and had been plaster-jacketed in another hospital. He was ambulatory, however, and was evacuated to the States four days later.

During the week of March 1 to 8 we began to admit officer patients. On March 8 we started to draw patients wholesale from a neighboring hospital which was in process of being closed. We set up beds as rapidly as they could be unpacked, drew the necessary supplies for furnishing the wards, made space therefor by shifting equipment, and managed to keep just about one jump ahead of the sheriff. At midnight on the 7th we had 66 patients in 78 beds; 226 patients in 304 beds on the 8th; 340 patients in 394 beds on the 10th, and 499 patients in 571 beds on the 15th.

We have been, and still are, handicapped by incompleteness of supply. The X-Ray department is functioning adequately if in (temporarily) cramped quarters, pending completion of construction of the X-ray building. We have two de-luxe hospital sterilizers, in both of which essential parts were damaged in transit and are now under repair. In the meantime surgery proceeds on a small scale, aided by a borrowed field sterilizer.

All the time construction goes on. The plumbing is French,—need I say more?—but is being modernized as rapidly as facilities available will allow. Electricity from the town current is not reliable, but we have four 30-Kilowatt Diesel-driven generators which are being installed, which will eventually tide us over in emergencies. The marriage of American electric plugs with French sockets can never be consummated, so much plastic reconstruction on the male mate is always necessary.

Everyone is working hard. Our doctors are learning that no one escapes paper work, but they are accepting this hard fate philosophically. The nurses are doing what all nurses have done since Florence Nightingale,—performing adequately and efficiently with limited and often improvised supplies. The men are doing a yeoman job in all branches and departments.

This is but a skimming of our problems, but no one knows their background better than you do. If I were to quote chapter and verse I should talk for three (3) hours without drawing breath. Hence, while I can but hit the high spots, I am in strong

hopes that this and subsequent letters will give you at home some shadowy form of our substance.

Sincerely yours,

T. R. GOETHALS,
Colonel, Medical Corps,
Commanding.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Abbott, Sylvia	1931	Army	Donahue, Josephine	1941	Army
Allen, Margaret Hazen.	1936	Army	Dow, Miriam Atwood..	1924	Army
Atto, Kathleen	1922	Army	Drowlet, Velma A.....	1939	Army
Ayer, Dorothy	1940	Army	Duffy, Dorothy	1939	Army
Babcock, Grace R.....	1939	Army	Eaton, Caroline	1933	Army
Barrett, Katherine C..	1938	Army	Ellinwood, Doris	1925	Army
Barton, Goldie	1926	Army	Emerson, Edna	1936	Army
Barton, Rowena	1934	Army	Emery, Margaret	1936	Army
Bean, Esther M.....	1934	Army	Ethier, Mildred	1920	Army
Beardwood, Gladys	1925	Army	Eveleth, Annette L....	1928	Army
Beatham, Sybil	1937	Army	Farrant, Helen A.....	1930	Army
Beaudette, Laurianne ..	1937	Army	Forbes, Pauline		
Berlyon, Marion	1941	Army	Cummings	1929	Army
Binns, Julia	1940	Army	Fraser, Mary A.....	1938	Army
Blaney, Evelyn M.....	1928	Army	Gardner, Ruth G.....	1938	Navy
Bowers, Marjorie	1931	Army	Gates, Evelyn	1942	Navy
Boyle, Rita	1941	Army	Gianarakos, Anastasia..	1941	Army
Brandon, Geraldine	1938	Army	Giberti, Florence L....	1929	Army
Brebbia, Mary E.....	1935	Army	Goethal, Yvonne	1939	Army
Briggs, Cleora	1942	Army	Greene, Ardenia Abbott	1930	Army
Brooks, Jessie H.....	1933	Army	Guillemette, Loretta ...	1940	Army
Burgess, Linda	1930	Army	Haddon, Ruth	1939	Army
Butcher, Edith J.....	1941	Army	Halekas, Garyfallia	1942	Army
Canning, Mary A.....	1923	Army	Haley, Blanche	1930	Army
Carpenter, Mary L.....	1940	Army	Halladay, Hazel	1930	Army
Casey, Mary L.....	1941	Army	Hansis, Evelyn	1939	Army
Chadbourne, Helen O..	1932	Army	Harlow, Evelyn C.....	1928	Army
Chrystal, Dorothy M...	1928	Army	Harper, Marjorie	1931	Army
Clark, Alice	1939	Army	Hewitt, Helen G.....	1935	Army
Coffey, Eileen	1938	Army	Hollister, Louise H....	1933	Army
Coggswell, Thelma B...	1926	Army	Holmes, Isabel	1941	Army
Coghlan, Helen J.....	1928	Army	Holt, Cynthia	1941	Army
Convelski, Stephanie	1933	Army	Holt, Norma Nesmith..	1942	Army
Conza, Ermine	1920	Army	Horton, Ruth	1941	Army
Cooper, Jean	1942	Army	Hussey, Edwina	1937	Army
Corcoran, Alice M....	1934	Army	James, Doris	1942	Army
Corthell, Beatrice M....	1922	Army	Jarvis, Katherine	1940	Army
Cousins, Helene E.....	1938	Army	Jensen, Barbara	1939	Navy
Crafts, Eleanor B.....	1932	Army	Jewell, Martha	1941	Army
Cree, Edna	1928	Army	Johnson, Elsie	1937	Army
Davis, E. Jacqueline....	1932	Army	Johnson, Harriet L....	1941	Army
Dervin, Margaret	1932	Army	Kearns, Muriel	1936	Navy

Kellogg, Violet	1941 Army	Nelson, Margaret	1933 Army
Kerzick, Mildred	1934 Army	Newcomb, Ruth	1942 Navy
Kimball, Martha	1941 Navy	Nickerson, Dorothy A. .	1938 Army
King, Evelyn V.	1938 Army	O'Leary, Rita E.	1941 Army
Knights, Doris	1931 Army	Ottley, Jean	1941 Army
Krook, Elsie	1932 Army	Passios, Alexandria. .	1942 Army
Lanouette, Naomi	1927 Army	Penniman, Ruth F.	1926 Army
Lawrence, Ruth	1931 Army	Pentecost, Claire	1940 Navy
Lord, Elizabeth W.	1932 Navy	Peterson, Barbara E. .	1939 Army
Lowney, Carolyn	1941 Army	Pitman, Eleanor	1925 Army
Lyons, Catherine E. .	1934 Army	Plant, Eunice	1938 Army
MacNeill, Hazel W. .	1935 Army	Pritchard, Anna E.	1940 Army
MacSwain, Mary C. .	1929 Army	Reardon, Mary F.	1940 Army
Madden, Philipmena .	1941 Army	Renn, Elsie G.	1941 Army
Mahoney, Margaret F. .	1937 Army	Rose, Eunice	1929 Army
Mather, Jean T.	1941 Navy	Sarad, Julia	1942 Navy
Maxwell, Barbara E. .	1932 Army	Sears, Virginia L.	1941 Army
May, Marjorie	1938 Army	Shaw, Helen D.	1929 Army
McCabe, Kathryn		Sheldon, Lilla	1942 Army
Lovejoy	1936 Army	Sherer, Louise C.	1941 Army
McCullough, Ethel . .	1937 Army	Slattery, Ethel M.	1939 Army
McDonald, Jeanette C. .	1941 Army	Smith, Phyllis	1942 Navy
McDonnell, Frances C. .	1939 Army	Smith, Ruth Myers. .	1942 Army
McDonnell, Rose C. .	1935 Army	Staats, Mary H.	1937 Navy
McGarry, Catherine . .	1934 Army	Stacey, Eleanor C.	1933 Army
McGlynn, Dorothy F. .	1932 Army	Stoney, Dorothy	1929 Army
McKee, Kathleen		Sweeney, Mary	1941 Army
Mulvey	1921 Army	Tinkham, Anna L.	1940 Army
McKenzie, Anne	1941 Army	Tolman, Madeline A. .	1933 Army
McKinnon, Christine A. .	1928 Army	Townsend, Lois	1932 Army
McLellan, Bessie	1932 Army	Triggs, Grace	1941 Navy
McMarron, Frances . .	1942 Army	White, Alice M.	1930 Army
Mears, Ann	1942 Army	Whittier, Eva	1932 Army
Meilleur, Winona	1941 Army	Wilcox, Chloe D.	1935 Army
Moles, Dorothy I.	1933 Army	Wilkins, Mary	1940 Army
Moore, Anna E.	1940 Army	Willis, Irene E.	1941 Army
Moore, Anna L.	1941 Army	Wilson, Mary E.	1935 Army
Moore, Christine H. .	1929 Army	Wright, Helen	1940 Army
Mulholland, Anna	1941 Army	Wrigley, Nellie	1939 Army
Nason, Eleanor	1942 Navy	Yancey, Alice	1941 Army
Nelson, Earlyne	1942 Army		

M. G. H. Caps

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THE ALUMNAE

MARCH ALUMNAE MEETING

The Surgical Amphitheater, Floor 3A, of the White Building, was filled to capacity on the evening of March 30, 1943, when Dr. Bradford Cannon, Assistant Surgeon for Plastic Operations (nephew of Miss Ida M. Cannon) discussed "Experiences in the Rehabilitation of the Coconut Grove Disaster Victims," and showed many interesting colored slides of the treatment and progress of the burns.

APRIL ALUMNAE MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association was held in the Upper Out-Patient Department Amphitheater on Tuesday, April 27, 1943 at 8:15 P.M. More than seventy-five members were attracted by the double feature program.

The first feature was a coöperative one. Miss Mary Macdonald, M.G.H. '31, an orthopedic supervisor in the Community Health Association, described her experiences while taking Sister Kenny's course. She described Sister Kenny as aggressive and somewhat on the defensive, but magnificent with patients. Her thesis as explained in her recent book is that in poliomyelitis there occur muscle spasm, mental alienation, and incoördination to some degree, and that only severe cases have true paralysis as a fourth symptom. The Kenny method aims at relieving the spasm and preventing the ill effects of its continuation; that is, because of pain the patient tends to suppress remembrance of how to use his muscles (alienation) and uses them improperly (incoördination). Sister Kenny, said Miss Macdonald, irritated the doctors so much at first that they decided they would have to prove she was wrong, but so far to their amazement research has proved that she was right.

While Miss Macdonald spoke, Miss Helen French prepared and then carried out a demonstration of the M.G.H. modified Kenny pack as it has been used in this hospital for several months. Miss French, whose supervision includes the neurological floor, White 11, where patients with acute poliomyelitis may be treated, last summer was sent to Warm Springs Foundation for a course in the Kenny method. Mrs. Marie Scherer Andrews, Chairman of

the Program Committee, assisted with the demonstration, since two persons are needed for effective application of the packs. The patient was Miss Kathleen Armstrong of the Nursing Arts Department, who bore witness to the soothing nature of the packs by virtually falling asleep. No account of the procedure would be complete without mention of the apparatus conceived by Miss French and executed by Mr. Kinsman, the head of our maintenance department. A washtub with wringer attached is mounted on wheels with brakes and fitted with a gas burner under the tub. In this the packs can be brought to a boil in the utility room, then wheeled to the bedside without loss of heat. The packs themselves, cut to fit the part, are 100% wool wrung twice out of the boiling water; they are applied without ointment if the skin is in normal condition. Each pack is then covered with rubberized material and an outer wrapping of old blanket secured with pins. It is hoped that this kind of pack may gradually replace our old friend, the Emergency Ward poultice. At present it is being tried enthusiastically by arthritic patients in the Bulfinch. The difference here is that poliomyelitis patients have packs hinged at the joints so physiotherapy can be continued, whereas the arthritic patients must have their joints covered.

The second feature of the evening was a presentation of nursing problems arising out of our present critical shortage. The plan was to present the problems, indicate what solutions we here have been able to find, and make an appeal to the wisdom and kindness of the Alumnae for more ideas. Dr. Faxon, who seemed to have enjoyed the first part of the program, expressed appreciation of Dr. Watkins, head of the Physiotherapy Department, for the open-mindedness which had made it possible for us to start modified Kenny packs last summer. Dr. Faxon tried to explain why we still try to keep every floor open, caught as we are between the millstones of a graduate nurse staff one-third depleted and a waiting list of four hundred patients, not to mention our obligation to the Community Fund and the Blue Cross.

Miss Johnson explained why, with a so much larger school, we grow increasingly short-handed. Part of the answer is in the great decrease of non-professional workers so that nurses are doing more unskilled manual labor. Part of the answer is in the fact that, with a decreased number of staff nurses at Baker, we now have as many as fifty-five students there at one time. To give students experience which they must have and which we owe them, with a larger school more must be sent at one time to the Diet Kitchen, Operating Room, Pediatrics, and on affiliation and vacation. All in all, one hundred eighty-four student nurses are absorbed before care of the adult patient in the General Hospital can begin.

Miss Johnson emphasized that we must maintain the standards of a good school if we expect students to come to and remain with us.

Miss Perkins, Supervisor of Instruction in Nursing, told us how a re-organization of the course in Nursing Arts has combined sounder education with time saving. Until the present semester Nursing I was a four months' course, at the end of which a student was capped and passed into the limbo of Junior Intersession, during which she alternated a week on the ward with a week in class for the fifth month of her course. This required that Nursing II be taught entirely in sections, thus adding to the instructors' load without return, and exposing a newly capped student to the likelihood of learning procedures on the ward before she could get to them in the classroom. Beginning this semester, the course in Nursing runs for eighteen weeks, at the end of which the student is capped, and there is no Junior Intersession. This plan has improved the sequence of Nursing I in some respects, as for instance intravenous therapy can now be taught in the same unit with hypodermic injections.

Miss Kempf, Supervisor of Instruction in the Sciences, stressed that all preclinical and advanced course outlines are being reviewed. In the sciences there has been a slight reduction of hours with wider use of drill and striving for correlation. The hours of advanced classes have not been reduced.

Miss Lepper, Assistant Superintendent of Nurses, discussed the efforts of the Nursing Service to adjust to its present load by minimizing treatments, saving steps, and using volunteers. She might well have spent the whole evening on these topics. We now give two baths a week instead of three and give them at any convenient hour of the day or night. Some are given by the night nurse in the early morning; some are given by Red Cross Aides or volunteer orderlies on relief. Courses for these men volunteers have been given at the hospital. The errand service operated by the women of the M.G.H. War Service does everything from taking patients by wheelchair or even by truck to making covers from X-ray film so fluid charts can be kept at the bedside for easier and prompter charting without getting wet.

All Alumnae who can give any time to the hospital were urged to come in and let us find the right job for them. It was suggested that no one should feel shy; no matter how many years they have been away, we can use them. Those who feel that wearing a uniform would be coming under false pretenses will be welcome in smocks and thus find protection from the visiting man who wants to know whether Mrs. Postoperative Patient has a positive fluid balance.

By the time this rich and stimulating program had rushed to a

close, the hour was half past ten, and no old nor new business had been transacted nor a single minute read. Accordingly, the members agreed one and all to leave the business for a brief meeting to be held the last Tuesday in May.

GRACE PARKER FOLLETT,
Recording Secretary

Teaching Service for Schools of Nursing
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On February first, Miss Elizabeth Smith (class of 1934) became faculty member of the Teaching Service for Schools of Nursing of which Mildred H. Cartland (1914) and Helen Curley LaVey (1924) are directors.

The business office of the Teaching Service is located at 25 Huntington Avenue, Room 419. At this location, regular tutoring classes will be conducted for State Board Examinations.

The Teaching Service for Schools of Nursing came into being when Miss Cartland and Mrs. LaVey combined their efforts, both having been Visiting Instructors in Greater Boston for many years.

Due to accelerated programs in Schools of Nursing and to military needs, this Service has been very active and since its beginning, in July 1942, it has served the following: Newton Hospital, Newton; Whidden Memorial Hospital, Everett; Choate Memorial Hospital, Woburn; Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain; Children's Hospital, Boston; Melrose Hospital, Melrose; and the Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Engagements

Bertha M. Coskie (1934) to Mr. David Goodrich Proctor of Northboro, Massachusetts.

Beatrice Elizabeth Bennett (1942) to Mr. Walter Atwood of Somerville, Massachusetts.

Barbara Uhl (1941) to Mr. William B. Atkinson of Charlottesville, Virginia.

Alexandria Passios (1942) to Mr. Lyman A. Ripperton, 2nd, of Austin, Texas.

Priscilla Farrar (1942) to Frank Rockwell, U.S. Air Corps.

Mary Atkins Nickerson (1943) to George Pearson Marble, U.S. Coast Guard.

Eleanor B. Davis (1908) to Lt. Leonard McAllister, U.S.N.R. of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Marriages

Marion D. Hamelin (1943) to Mr. Hosmer K. Tapin, on February 6, 1943 in Georgetown, Massachusetts. Mr. Tapin is stationed at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island.

Marjorie V. Murray (1943) to Mr. Ernest Beede, on February 13, 1943 in Saugus, Massachusetts.

Martha Agnes Buckley (1940) to Lt. Walter S. Utley, on February 22, 1943 at Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Lois Woodbury (1942) to Mr. Herbert Clayton Bridges, Jr., of the U.S. Army Air Corps, on March 1, 1943 at the Army Air Base Chapel, Great Falls, Montana.

Marion Elizabeth Blake (1939) to Lt. George W. Donnelly, on March 15, 1943 in Gardner, Massachusetts.

Elizabeth E. Witham (1941) to Mr. Frank Benedict of Syracuse, New York on April 24, 1943 at the Mount Vernon Church in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Benedict will reside temporarily in Boston.

Irene P. Tirelis (1940) to Corp. William E. Reilly, on Easter Sunday, April 25, 1943, in Stoughton, Massachusetts. Corp. Reilly is located at the Air Base at Greenville, South Carolina.

Martha Thayer (1937) to Mr. Anthony Francis Lomartire, on May 7, 1943 in Suffield, Connecticut. At home, after June 1st, at 189-16 37th Avenue, Flushing, New York.

Lilla May Sheldon (1942) to Lt. Harold Jungkind, of New Jersey, on May 22, 1943 at the Borden General Base Hospital in Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Gertrude Doliber (1942) to Carl Sawyer of Boston, on June 19, 1943.

Births

Dr. and Mrs. Peter A. Cole (Margaret E. Matzek, 1929) announce the birth of a second daughter, Sandra, on August 29, 1942, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Harrington (Harriet I. Spaulding, 1939) announce the birth of a son, John Berard, on January 5, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Francis O'Brien (Louise M. Knowles, 1933) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Louise, on February 1, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes (Allene R. Day, 1941) announce the birth of a son, William John, on February 6, 1943, in Hartford, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hurd (Alberta Mason, 1930) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary, on February 7, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Nason (Marie G. Giardina, 1934) announce the birth of a daughter, Patricia Ruth, on March 3, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

To Rev. and Mrs. Melvin McGaughey (Grace Taylor, 1937) a son, Francis Henry, on March 11, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Bersebach (Dorothy F. Butler, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Suenelda, on March 12, 1943, at the Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kropoff (Elizabeth E. Light, 1939) announce the birth of a daughter, Pamela Elizabeth, on March 20, 1943, at the Cardinal O'Connell House, Brighton, Massachusetts.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wesley C. Sholes (Marjorie Hill, 1937) a son, Allan Woodrow, on April 3, 1943, at the William L. Backus Hospital, in Norwich, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Rundell (Mary McIntire, 1939) announce the birth of a daughter, Carol Ann, on April 4, 1943, in Montclair, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Thurston (Ann M. Parry, 1930) announce the birth of a daughter, Ruth Norma, on April 6, 1943, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Groff (Susan P. Robbins, 1937) announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Barbara Sue, on April 10, 1943, at the Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis St. Laurient (Marie L. Bressani, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Louise, on April 23, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. McCormick (Edith B. Lee, 1936) announce the birth of a son, William Robert, on May 4, 1943, at the Winchester Hospital, Winchester, Massachusetts.

Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Herman Bleicher (Edith Abbott, 1931) announce the birth of a son, Robert D., on May 8, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Crowe (Margaret E. Landsdowne, 1942) announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, on May 8, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore T. Constantino (Shirley Leavitt, 1940) announce the birth of a son, Paul Thomas, on May 13, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. John S. Rhodes (Eleanor S. Flint, 1928) announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Judith Ann, on May 17, 1943, at the Rex Hospital, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Johnston (Marjorie L. Scott, 1941) announce the birth of a son, Jeffrey Stuart, on May 26, 1943, at the Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, N. Y.

Dr. and Mrs. George W. Morse (Jean F. Macpherson, 1911) are grandparents to twin daughters, Leila Haven and Jean Macpherson, born on March 30, 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. Gilbert E. Jones, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.

2. Change of address to Helen L. Baker, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

MRS. WALTER C. BELL

Mrs. Walter C. Bell (Jessie I. Belyea, 1898) died on March 9, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, after several weeks of illness.

MARY E. DOUGLASS

Miss Mary E. Douglass (1884) died on April 12, 1943. For many years Miss Douglass made her home at 66 Chestnut Street, Boston. During the last two years she had been cared for in a Nursing Home in Brookline. She was in her 91st year. Miss Douglass had a long and varied experience in nursing in the homes of Boston and vicinity.

MADELEINE M. SCHROEDER

Miss Madeleine Marie Schroeder (1919) Superintendent of Nurses at the Rhode Island State Infirmary, died on April 27, 1943, at the Rhode Island Hospital, after a short illness. She was 48 years old. Miss Schroeder had spent her entire nursing career in administrative work in the State of Rhode Island. She leaves her father and two brothers in Newton Highlands, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

CHARLES SHOREY BUTLER

Dr. Charles Shorey Butler (East Surgical, 1899) died on February 23, 1943, at his home, 257 Newbury Street, Boston, after an illness of several months.

SEWELL H. FESSENDEN

Mr. Sewell H. Fessenden, President of the Corporation, died at his home in Brookline, on April 27, 1943. In the Trustees' Minutes of April 30, 1943, Bishop Sherrill, Chairman of the Board, has recorded Mr. Fessenden's long and distinguished service. He states in part:

For many years Mr. Fessenden gave untiringly of himself to the service of the Hospital. . . . It is not too much to say that next to his devotion to his family came his love for the Hospital.

His associates express their gratitude for all he accomplished. They will miss him as Trustee and as Friend. They extend their deep sympathy to Mrs. Fessenden, his children, and grandchildren, and enter in their permanent records this testimony to a great Trustee.

NEWS

Clare Dennison (1918) Director of the University of Rochester School of Nursing, presented at the Commencement Exercises of the University of Rochester, Sister Elizabeth Kenny, Australian nurse, for her honorary degree of Doctor of Science:— "She has asked only that her teachings be accepted in order that young lives might not be blighted. But she is now blessed and honored in her country where great clinics for the Kenny treatment are established."

Jessie Grant (1906) Superintendent of the Springfield Hospital, Springfield, Vermont, will retire in July. Her successor will be Nellie Gertrude Sharpe (1912).

Josephine E. Thurlow (1909) is now living at the Bancroft Court Apartments, 16 Ware Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts, retiring after 34 years of active hospital work. Miss Thurlow has been Superintendent of hospitals in Saginaw, Michigan; Corning, New York; Fitchburg, Cambridge and North Adams, Massachusetts. A member of the State Board of Registration for Nurses for 17 years. Mildred Irene Taylor (1923) will succeed Miss Thurlow.

Agnes G. Patten (1920) of Merrimac, Massachusetts, recently visited her many friends at the hospital and brought generous bouquets of lilies of the valley and iris from her garden.

Nettie L. Fisher (1911) resigned during April as Second Assistant in the School of Nursing. On the 1st of May she became Superintendent of the Higgins Hospital in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. We all were sorry to learn that Miss Fisher recently injured her elbow, which means wearing a cast for several weeks. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Helen Voigt (1933) returned to the Hospital in May. She has been appointed Second Assistant to the Superintendent of Nurses to succeed Miss Fisher.

Kathleen Atto (1922) who has been working in the office of the Surgeon General in Washington has been promoted to the rank of Captain in the A.N.C.

Hazel Goff (1917) was the guest speaker at the annual "Students' Night" in Boston, sponsored by the Eastern Massachusetts League of Nursing Education, on May 12th. On the following evening, Miss Goff spoke to a group of graduates and students in the Walcott House. She gave a graphic picture of the need for nurses after the war to help in the devastated countries of the world. based upon her own experiences in Europe after the last war.

Lt. Alice Mildred Yancey (1941) and Lt. Ruth Armstrong Horton (1941) A.N.C., are now stationed in Australia.

Mrs. William H. Warrick (Virginia Kennen, 1915) Supervisor at the Margaret Hague Maternity Center, Jersey City, New Jersey, writes that 7404 babies were born in this hospital last year.

Ruth M. Farrisey (1938) Assistant Supervisor in the Visiting Nurses Association of Boston, has been appointed to the Fields Corner district.

Anne Lyons Twomey (1931) who has been attending Boston University for the past year, has been appointed Assistant Supervisor in the North-West End Community Health Association and will assume her duties in July.

Dr. and Mrs. Gerardo Balboni (Lillian Dobie, 1910) have a new grandson, Christopher Gerardo Knight, born on January 10, 1943, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Lois Townsend (1932) 2nd Lt. A.N.C., who is attached to the Station Hospital, A.P.O. 737, "Somewhere in Canada," writes that "Time" is marked by the coming of the train with mail and the few swallows of drinkable water they can beg off the train crew, as their drinking water is highly chlorinated and unpalatable. Lt. Townsend enclosed a copy of the station paper "The Northern Light"—"The Nurses Have Arrived"—"Expect Rise in Hospital Stock"—First they're from New England and have the Boston accent—Much has been done for the Nurses' comforts, and "We can't get over the mattresses, they must be 'Beautyrests' they are so comfortable."

Mrs. Charles M. Simpson (Gladys Dixon, 1919) is living at 1312 North Seventh Street, Temple, Texas, and working for the Bell County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Wesley Newell (Veda E. Lohnes, 1928) called at the Hospital on May 29th, with her young daughter, Sandra Elizabeth, aged 9 months. She is an energetic young lady and gives great promise. Mrs. Newell is now living in Aberdeen, Maryland, where her husband, Lt. Wesley S. Newell, is engaged in war work.

Mrs. Lawrence E. Stiles (Arlene M. Lowe, 1935) who for the past two years has been working at the American Red Cross Blood Bank on Boylston Street, Boston, has resigned, and moved to Kenmore, New York, where her husband is in business.

Betty Dumaine (1926) has gone into active service with the American Red Cross. She is in Washington now for special instruction. At some later time we shall know more about her field of activity.

Helen Marble (1920) and Jessie Stewart (1935) received the degree of B.S. in Education from Boston University in June.

Helen Dore Boylston (1917) author of "Carol Goes Backstage" and the "Sue Barton" books, continues Carol's education in the theatre in "Carol Plays Summer Stock" (Little Brown: \$2). Neither deglamourizing nor unduly romantic about the stage, the book tells about Carol's summer at a workshop theatre in Maine. The inevitable jealousies that arise in the company, as well as the hint of romance, are handled with sensitivity because the characters are well and fully thought out. Carol may be a little too successful for her experience to be typical, but the book has a real flavor of the theatre. For good writing and a good story, this is one of the season's really excellent books.—*New York Times*.

Mrs. Roderick McLennan (Caroline Woodmansee, 1892) of Quincy, now graduated 52 years, continued to be in good health and is interested in the happenings at the hospital and occasionally visits with her M.G.H. friends.

Margaret E. Nelson, A.N.C. (1933) is with the 135th Evacuation Hospital in North Africa.

Anne M. Ellis (1930) is now office nurse for Dr. Phillip Meltzer.

Miss Mary Lammers (1937) who is a school nurse in Auburn, Maine, is taking courses at Boston University this summer.

Among members of the Alumnae now working at the blood bank (Red Cross) are: Allie Harkonen (1924), Ruth McCracken Newton (1936), Katherine Shealey (1931).

Alma Cady (1936) has been appointed 2nd Vice-president of the Alumnae to fill the unexpired term of Miss Theresa Lunt who is now at the Doctors Hospital in New York.

Eleanor Burke (1941) is now on home delivery service with the Visiting Nurses Association of Boston, North-West End.

District No. 5 held a Tea for the President, Treasurers and Secretaries of Hospital Alumnae at the Vose House of Boston City Hospital on April 7. There was a general discussion of problems confronting the Alumnae in time of war.

Mrs. Augustus Lawler (Evelyn Lyons, 1936) is relieving in the Out-Patient Department for the summer months.

Miss Mary Maher (formerly public health supervisor in O.P.D. and a graduate of the Rhode Island Hospital) is a representative of the Massachusetts League of Nursing Education at the convention in Chicago, in June.

Dorothy E. Richardson (1936) is doing industrial nursing at a defense plant in Chelsea; it is interesting to note that Miss Richardson opened the health clinic.

One of the new committees of District No. 5 is a membership committee. Due to the present emergency and so many nurses in the Armed Service it is very important for membership to be continued in the Alumnae and the State Nurses Association. This Committee expects to be very busy stimulating membership.

Helen E. Conger (1924), Dr. P.H. received her doctorate degree in Public Health. The subject of her Thesis was "The Organization and Administration of Medical Relief to Dependents in Michigan." It included the history and legal background of medical relief in the State from 1750-1939 and included studies of three counties; a rural and an industrial county and that in which the State University is located. She writes also that she supervises two baby clinics and is on call three nights a week as obstetrical delivery nurse, which service is a very busy one.

Isabel Willoughby (1924) is a child welfare worker in Ingham County, Michigan. She lives in East Lansing.

Pearl Castile (1922) was appointed to the Board of Nurse Examiners in California by Governor Warren on March 13, 1943. Her present position is Assistant Director of the University of California School of Nursing and Assistant Professor of Nursing Education on the Faculty of that School.

E. Jacqueline Davis (1932) has been made 1st Lieutenant in the A.N.C. and is now Chief Nurse at Fort Devens.

Friends of Miss Sara E. Parsons will be interested to know that Miss Parsons now has a grandniece and namesake. The new baby is named Sara Wellington Daigneau and is the daughter of her niece, the former Ruth Mayall.

Miss Elizabeth Hall, a graduate of The Children's Hospital, became our Supervisor of the Pediatric Wards on April 5th. She came to the hospital from service as a public health nurse.

Olive Roberts, Social Physical Director of the School since 1933, resigned her position on June 1st.

Nathalie M. Davis (1928) writes on April 6th from "Somewhere in England." "I have been very fortunate in being able to visit Oxford, going through the Colleges and attending many of their lectures. The surrounding gardens are lovely with all the spring flowers in full bloom. My trip to Stratford-on-Avon will always be a beautiful memory.

"I had temporary duty where Edna Cree is stationed so our M.G.H. days were revived and she passed on to me many of her interesting experiences of her early days here in England. At the present time I am teaching Corps men operating technique and find most of them very apt students."

Hilda George (1917) is professor of Public Health Instruction at Keuka College, Keuka, New York.

History is being made on Ward G. We now have Red Cross Aides who work there daily and several Volunteer secretaries. The following serve as secretary two days a week: Mrs. Balboni (Lillian Dobie, 1910) and Mrs. Edith Harrison Nichols.

A July class of student nurses will be admitted this year. The course will be the regular three-year basic course. By having a group enter at this time, it will decrease the size of the September class and yet enable a larger total than last year to be admitted. Advanced classes will be held as usual during the summer semester.

Grace Follett (1939) has been teaching an evening class for volunteer orderlies. This is the second group of men who have had instruction in the simpler nursing procedures; they work in the evenings, on the wards, and have been a tremendous help to the nursing force. The initial group were Odd Fellows.

Cordelia King (1932) has accepted the position of Assistant Superintendent at the Syracuse Memorial Hospital in Syracuse, New York. She will be working with Miriam Curtis (1918) who is the Superintendent. It has recently been announced that the School of Nursing at this hospital and at The Good Shepherd Hospital in Syracuse will together be organized as a new Syracuse University School of Nursing.

Two recent appointments by the Red Cross Boston Chapter; Margaret Reilly (1916) as Chairman of the Chapter's Nurse Recruitment Committee; Ethel Inglis (1925) as Secretary of this Committee.

Mrs. Clifford Thompson (Helen Bancroft, 1920) called recently on friends at M.G.H. and Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Mrs. Sidney Bates (May G. Rodger, 1916) of 140 Amity Street, Brooklyn, New York, writes that she, as an instructor who has given more than two hundred hours of voluntary service, has received a special Red Cross pin. In her "Home Nursing" group she boasts of Chief Justice Stone's daughter and H. G. Kaltenborn's daughter, as interested students.

Recent appointments: Dorothy Hansen (1943) to Assistant Head Nurse on White 9, Ruth Murray (1943) to Assistant Head Nurse on White 10, Marguerite Hartnett (1943) to treatment nurse on Pediatric Wards, Helen Middleditch (1942) to Head Nurse on Pediatric Ward 10, Alice Dempsey (1942) to Head Nurse on Pediatric Ward 12, Felicita A. Boselli (1943) to Head Nurse on White 11.

Ellen M. Selby (1915) of Los Gatos, California, hopes to return to Paris after the War, for rehabilitation work.

Excerpt from letter to Betty Dumaine from Mrs. John B. Hazard (Etta Mae Holly, 1931) now of Sanford, Florida:—

"Dear Betty:

"What's news? Do miss hearing of the doings at Red Cross. I could keep up with things at Washington.

"How I would love to drop in on you someday! Right now I seem to be stuck in another world. I can't walk out unless someone takes my place and there is slim chance of that. They can't find a doctor for Health Officer so I am treating about 600 Luetics a week. The local M.D.s lend moral support by appearing now and then—but I do all intravenous and most of the intramusculars. We are short two nurses in this county already. I only work every day and every night except Saturday and Sunday. It is interesting and I am getting good experience and some wonderful negro stories. I also treat the prisoners of the county—tonite they consisted of 2 white prostitutes, 3 colored and a murderer in the lot."

Mrs. George A. Bourgeois (Marguerite Vichules, 1936) of 1303 York Avenue, Apt. 21, New York City, writes the following: "After completing a very interesting Post-Graduate course in Obstetric Nursing at the Chicago Lying-In Hospital, I have accepted the position of Night Supervisor at the New York Hospital in the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. This enables me to be near my husband who is now 1st Lieutenant in the Medical Corps at Mitchell Field, Long Island, where he is in charge of the Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Jeanette Hadley (1942) is another instructor for an evening group of students. She is teaching a class of Red Cross Nurses' Aides, who are having their instruction and practice at the M.G.H.

In April, Elspeth S. Campbell (1909) enjoyed a one-week vacation with her sister in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Carrie M. Hall (1904) retired Superintendent of Nurses of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, was re-elected President of the Greater Boston Nursing Council for War Service at its annual meeting held at the Republican Club April 9, 1943. Hazel Wedgewood (1910) was appointed a director.

Margaret Matheson (1912) Executive Secretary of the Cardiac Division of the New York Tuberculosis Health Association, attended the Conference of Executive Secretaries of the American Heart Association held at the Copley Plaza, Boston, May 20-24. Clinics were visited at the Good Samaritan, Massachusetts General, and Sharon. A luncheon was given by the Committee for the Home Care of Children with Heart Disease. Dr. Paul D. White and Dr. T. Duckett Jones were among the speakers.

Those of us here at home are glad to learn that Doris Knights, Chief Nurse of the 6th General Hospital has been promoted to the rank of Captain.

Mrs. Cornelius H. Hawes (Abby-Helen Denison, 1924) visited the hospital in March, while Dr. Hawes attended the meetings of the College of Surgeons at the Statler Hotel. Dr. and Mrs. Hawes have three children, Oliver Kingsley 10 years, Cornelius H. Jr., 8 years, and Ann Denison 6 years.

Congratulations are extended to Miss Frances C. Ladd (1911) Superintendent of the Faulkner Hospital, who has been elected President of The New England Hospital Assembly.

Doris Elinwood (1925) has been promoted to 1st Lieutenant in the A.N.C. and is stationed at Camp Miles Standish, Taunton, Mass.

Frances H. Chambers (1927), will relieve in the Baker Memorial Admitting Office for vacations.

Apologies are due Helen O'Dea (1913). The March Quarterly erroneously reported the death of her brother, Lt. William H. O'Dea. The newspaper clipping sent to the Editor referred to another Mr. O'Dea. We are happy to say Helen O'Dea's brother is living and well.

Mrs. Robert G. Smith (Ruth A. Elliott, 1932) who lives at 83 Oak Street, Greenwood, Massachusetts, is serving as a nurse on the War Council Committee of the Wakefield Red Cross, and is also in the Medical Unit set up for Disaster Relief in Greenwood.

M.G.H. night at "Pops" was eliminated this year. On the evening of May 28, a group of twenty friends entertained Mrs. Cordelia W. King (1932), Margaret E. Wilson (1938), Kathleen E. Armstrong (1938), and Miss Olive Roberts, Social Director, with a delightful "Pops" evening. This was a farewell party as the guests of honor are leaving the M.G.H.

National Hospital Day was celebrated in Boston in a unique way. Two hundred and sixty nurses in uniforms marched from the Hall of Flags down the State House steps to the Parkman bandstand on the Common where 52 of them representing 26 Greater Boston Hospitals were awarded their caps. The actual capping was conducted by Miss Margaret Dieter (1916), Chairman of the State Board of Registration in Nursing and President of the Massachusetts Nurses Association, and Miss Marjorie B. Davis, R.N., Chairman of the Massachusetts Nursing Council for War Service.

Dr. Charles F. Wilinsky, President of the Massachusetts Hospital Association, presided. In spite of a drizzling rain this impressive ceremony was witnessed by many interested spectators.

The sun shone brightly on May 24 for the box luncheon and pageant staged by the Volunteer Service Bureau of the M.G.H. and M.E.E.I. The horse chestnut tree was in full bloom and the Bulfinch lawn was well covered with spectators. Interesting pictures were taken.

Mrs. Arthur Hill, who has been many years a very active member of the Ladies' Visiting Committee, Mrs. W. Jason Mixter and Miss Alice Ropes, in costumes which represented clothes worn by members of the Ladies' Visiting Committee from 1861 to 1914, received very generous applause.

After a box luncheon the various services performed by these Volunteers were depicted in a pageant written by Percy J. Barrell in which Dr. Charles Robertson (East Surgical Interne), representing the patient, played a most amusing part. Miss Eleanor Greenwood, who is in charge of the Volunteer Service Bureau is to be congratulated for bringing to the Hospital family such a vivid portrayal of the work done by these fine helpers. How could we carry on during these strenuous days without these grand people?

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Days are gettin' shorter an' the air a keener snap;
Apples now are droppin' into Mother Nature's lap;
The mist at dusk is risin' over valley, marsh an' fen
An' it's just as plain as sunshine, winter's comin' on again.

The turkeys now are struttin' round the old farm-house once more;
They are done with all their nestin', and their hatchin' days are
o'er;

Now the farmer's cuttin' fodder for the silo towerin' high
An' he's frettin' an' complainin' 'cause the corn's a bit too dry.

But the air is mighty peaceful an' the scene is good to see,
An' there's somethin' in October that stirs deep inside o' me;
An' I just can't help believin' in a God above us, when
Everything is ripe for harvest an' the frost is back again.

Edgar A. Guest

THE HSIHUNG CLINIC — 1942

Reprint of an article by Emeline Bowne (1920) taken from a copy of the Free Wan-Kan (Free China) pamphlet.

Early in the autumn some of us had a day's outing. From Hsihung we went to Maolin and from there east across the stream that eventually empties into the Yangtze. Our destination was a mountain near enough to be visible in Maolin, but we found that we had to go a roundabout way through the village of Fengtsen before we could reach the path leading up the mountain side. Fengtsen is a good sized village about eight *li* from here. When we reached the top of the mountain we could see many hamlets nestling down in the valley and far off, through a mountain pass, Changchiatu was visible spread out along the bank of the river. Looking down at these little villages connected only by narrow footpaths one suddenly realized what an expenditure of energy a trip to our Hsihung Clinic must mean to the people who come from these places. Strong and husky as we were, we were glad to sit down and rest. People suffering from badly infected eyes, severe leg ulcers, malaria, cardiac and other diseases, or mothers carrying sick babies must find the trip almost interminable. Except those who are able to afford to come by chair, others have to walk every step of the way. There are no rickshas here and of course no mechanical means of transportation found in the cities.

The great need of medical attention for these people makes us yearn for all the ability, equipment, and facilities which modern medicine has developed. The realization of the difficulties they have to overcome in order to get to the Clinic makes us eager to have every visit they make as full of value as possible to them. That is one reason we often give treatments which the patients would ordinarily be told to do for themselves at home. We realize that if they find that they receive relief they will be more apt to repeat a treatment. We also know that often because of poverty they have no facilities for carrying out the procedure and we think that one treatment will be better than none.

People from many walks of life come for treatment; farmers, refugees, students, soldiers, tradesmen, housewives, mothers and their children, a few old people, and members of the mission group. For several months we have had a great many soldiers as the divisions quartered in this vicinity have no adequate medical facilities. We have enjoyed our contact with these men, some of whom come from far distant places. Many of them have been away from their homes for several years. They have shown their

appreciation for medical care in their fine attitude and also by sending at two different times banners with appreciative inscriptions. We were especially pleased by the one which read: "God's Light Spreads Over All."

Beginning with the new year we have started a new system of registration of patients. Because of lack of funds we were at first unable to buy enough paper to allow each person to have a chart. Medical and ophthalmic cases had records but ordinary surgical cases who came for daily treatment had none. No book suitable for registrations can be bought here but an old account book has been found with a good binding and that can be used as a permanent record book to supplement the ones we have made ourselves out of rather inferior and easily torn paper. We are already convinced that it is a great help to have each patient have his permanent clinic number. It facilitates finding the charts having them filed according to number rather than by name, which we of necessity did at first. In our permanent record book the classification follows that of the "Peh Chia Hsing" (One Hundred Family Names). This is a list of names some of which were given to families by the Emperors in ancient days.

Mr. Ren, our registrar, has a movable office. During these cold days when a biting wind sweeps down off the mountains he moves his table outside the front gate where on clear days the sun's rays give some welcome warmth. When there is no sun, the big gates are closed and everyone huddles behind them hoping that no one else will come to open them and let in a blast of cold air. If our clinic room were larger he might join the throng inside, but as it is only 16 x 11 feet it is a trifle crowded when five or six people are in the process of being treated, medicines being dispensed, and instruments, etc. being constantly sterilized. We are so crowded that there is no place for a desk and all records have to be written on the shelf of the medicine closet which is in constant demand as all medicines are dispensed from there.

Probably each one of us feels that this is an emergency set-up and that the day will come when there will be more space and more supplies so no one apparently minds the inconveniences. We are only too thankful that the needed drugs and other supplies seem to come as we need them and that we can be here to help do a small part of the work that is waiting to be done in this part of the diocese.

After St. James Hospital, Anking, closed on October first, Miss Wu Meh Hsiang, Principal of the School of Nursing, and Miss Chi Hsiu Chuen, a recent graduate, joined our staff here. Their coming has brought great help and encouragement to us.

During 1942, 9,360 patients' visits were made, 6,846 of which

were from old patients and 2,784 from new. There were 5,931 surgical cases, 2,813 medical and 886 ophthalmic.

We are extremely grateful for the special gifts that have come from friends in China and in America and for all the help that we have had from friends who have helped purchase and transport the drugs and other supplies so necessary for our work.

E. B.

Miss Bowne also gives a list of prices now being paid for the following:

Mason - \$14 per day, starting at 10 A. M.

Carpenter \$12 per day, starting at 10 A. M.

Hair cut \$5

Bottle of milk (diluted) \$18

Pork \$12 per pound

Lard \$24 per pound

Eggs 85 cents a piece

1,000 sulfanilomide tablets \$3,500

Postage 50 cents instead of 16 cents.

From "Living Church"

January, 1943

With bugles blowing and long strings of firecrackers exploding, a whole division of the Chinese army came marching into the free China village where Emeline Bowne, missionary nurse, is conducting a clinic. They came for the peaceful purpose of presenting her with a red silk banner in appreciation of her services to them, as among the forty to fifty patients who visit the clinic every day are many grateful soldiers. Another division sent her a tablet made of bamboo, with Chinese characters meaning, "The holy light shines everywhere." "Hsihung Nightingale" is the name of the village where her clinic provides the only medical relief in a wide area. "Nightingale" is not because she sings but because she is like Florence Nightingale.

NEWS FROM SIXTH GENERAL HOSPITAL

1ST LT. ELEANOR B. PITMAN, A.N.C.

6th General Hospital

August 1943

In a few weeks we will have completed six months of overseas duty and it has been an interesting period for the majority

of us. I will not tell you anything about our set-up, as so many have done that it is an old story to you all. I think probably you would like to hear something of our off-duty activities. Each one has her own interests, and I will try to tell you as much as I can.

When we first arrived, everyone spent as much time as he could spare looking about the city at the points of interest, and souvenir hunting. For gifts to send home we bought hassocks and all sorts of leather things, for they are really very lovely. Arabian shoes were a favorite of all. We have also bought rings, bracelets, brass trays, Moorish dolls, water colors, oil paintings, and even sheep skins, fezzes, daggers, and carpets. Now almost all have bought their fill, and, having dispatched a package home, are saving their money.

Sightseeing was soon over, for there is not much to see except the Sultan's Palace. The most interesting part, the Arab district, known as the Medina, is "Off Limits" to all military personnel. A few hardy souls have slipped by the M.P.s and gone in, and from description it is very picturesque but not very sanitary. The streets are narrow and winding. The shops are little cubicles without windows, the front of which roll up like Venetian blinds, and these shops are in rows one after the other. There are the Street of the Tailors, where the tailors sit crosslegged on the floor of their cubicles sewing away; the Street of the Carpenters; the Street of the Spinners; the Street of the Carpet Makers, and so on.

The Arabs get as much as they can out of us. They think all Americans are rich, and prices have doubled, trebled and quadrupled since we came. It is very difficult to get them down even a few francs. The only thing to do is offer a price and let it go at that. If they refuse to sell, walk away with a shrug of the shoulders. Then if they really want to sell, they come running after you saying, "O.K., O.K., Americano." The children are cute but dreadful little beggars. They chase along beside us begging, "Gimmie shewn gum; gimme bon bon; gimmie cigarette, Americano good." Then if you refuse or pay no attention they say things in Arabic that leave no room for doubt but that it is something very uncomplimentary.

The Moors, old and young, rest a lot. I suppose it is the climate for although we find it very cool here, even compared to Boston's summer weather, we seem to get extremely tired. The natives just lie around on the street during siesta hours from twelve-thirty to two-thirty and sleep as peacefully as can be in the shade of a tree or a wall with a rag or a paper spread over their faces to keep off the flies. The other day I walked along

the street, the sun was hot but in the shade it was quite cool. I came upon three Arabs stretched out under a wall which afforded a strip of shade just wide enough for their bodies laid in single file. There they slept peacefully, and their little donkey patiently waited by the curb. They had thoughtfully hitched him in the shade of a tree.

We have been given the privilege of renting bicycles, and about thirty of us have them now. It is very pleasant to be able to ride out to the lighthouse after we get off duty. There is always a beautiful sunset to be seen from there. Or we can go swimming or take a ride out into the country. We are permitted to wear slacks for riding, and we all take advantage of it. Many of the girls including myself had never ridden before, but we learned after paying in many falls, scratches, and bruises, and it is worth it. I prefer a "bike" to a car for reasonable distances.

A few go horseback riding. There is a good stable a few minutes walk from quarters. Elinor Stacy is our champion horsewoman; Anna Moore, Jeannette McDonald, Harriet Johnsen, Elizabeth Pritchard, and several others are about to give her some competition. You may be wondering what they wear for riding; those who brought no riding breeches bought officers' summer trousers, and had a tailor make them over for them, and they look very trim and smart.

Some fortunate girls have had the experience of partaking of a Moorish feast, called a 'Diffa,' and partake they did as you will see as I describe the dinner. Captain Knights gave me a very vivid description, and I will try to give it just as vividly to you. They had special permission to go into the Medina for this feast, which was given by a leading Moorish business man. The home was very magnificent, constructed on the inside in beautiful tiles of Arabic design which is always in geometrical pattern. Their religion does not permit them to use any other. Beautiful rugs covered the floors, and the sofas were made of rich fabrics. The meal was served on round tables about five feet in diameter, made of inlaid wood with legs about six inches high. The guests sat on cushions placed around the table. The women of high class Moorish families are seldom seen, and so the host, his brother, and little son, about six years old, were the only members of the family present at the dinner. There were eight people seated at three tables.

All Moorish people eat with their fingers, and with the right hand only. The left hand must not touch the food. First came a large round brass bowl with a soap dish in the center holding a cake of Palmolive soap. A communal towel came with it, and each person washed his hands thoroughly by soaping

first, and then water was poured from an ewer by the servant, and drying on the same towel.

Then the servants brought in a gingham-checked tablecloth for each table. Now starts the feast. I will give it to you by courses just as they had it, and I do hope that I am not making the gastric juices too active. The first course was pigeon pie, placed on the table without knife, fork or spoon. The pigeon was delicious and the pastry so light and flaky it looked like about ten layers of very thin paper. Was it difficult to eat with the fingers? No, apparently not; if the fingers get a little "messy" wipe them on the Turkish towel, a large variety of which had been spread over the lap of each guest.

After the pie came roast turkey, crisp and brown and so tender it is easily broken apart with the fingers. If it proves a little stubborn, your neighbor steadies the bird with his right hand so you will not be tempted to use your left. The stuffing is very good, made of rice and dates. Try that one this Thanksgiving! The third course is roast chickens and vegetable salad. Can you eat salad with your fingers? The answer is "Yes, amazingly simple." The fourth course is roast lamb with toasted almonds; fifth is honey cake, pastry soaked in honey with a sprinkling of poppy seeds, and the sixth is cantaloupe. Now you think you simply cannot eat cantaloupe without a spoon, but you can. It is cut in small sections with the rind left on, so it is easy to pick up that way. The seventh course was grapes and plums; then coffee, very sweet, strong and black, followed by mint tea. Only water was served with the meal, and the other beverages in another room with small tarts and cakes similar to macaroons.

Preparing the mint tea is quite a process. It is made at a small low table by the host, as he sits on a cushion. First he warms the teapots, then he puts in some tea and washes it off with hot water which is carefully poured off. Before the war the pot was practically filled with sugar, and even now a large amount is used. Then the mint leaves are added and boiling water poured over all; then more mint and so on until the brew is made. I have had the mint tea and it is excellent, and I should think would be most beneficial after a meal like that—something like taking soda mints after Thanksgiving dinner. The Moors do not go in for alcoholic beverages. You will notice the complete absence of even a cocktail, known here as an *aperitif*.

The feast took four hours to consume, and Captain Knights says that the thing which impressed her the most was that it was so simple to eat with the fingers, and not as "messy" as one would suppose.

Now I have used up so much space that I had better stop, with our best wishes to everyone of you.

(Reprinted from The News)

Colonel Thomas R. Goethals (ES 1917) sent* another of his interesting letters to Dr. Faxon on May 31:

We are well settled in the present station; construction, save for seemingly interminable odds and ends, is complete, and the function of the hospital as an organization is clicking. We claim no perfection of accomplishment,—yet!—but the teamwork among services and departments has made great advances, while the coördination between the hospital, the local general and special staffs, and other medical installations is excellent. Great credit is due to Hamilton and his headquarters staff, and to Thorndike and his assistants in the Registrar's office, for the effectiveness of this liaison.

Details are sufficiently under control to allow me to make a methodical inspection of each service and department every week. Prior to the week of May 23 the services took priority, and the departments got whatever attention I could spare. Now, I manage to reach the Medical Service and Headquarters on Mondays; Surgical Service and Registrar on Tuesdays; Quartermaster, and X-Ray Services on Wednesdays; Dental Service, Neuropsychiatric Service and Medical Supply Department on Thursdays; Nursing Service and the Mess on Fridays; and the Detachment on Saturdays. In one week I have accomplished more in getting all the reins in hand than had been possible in the three preceding months.

The greatest advance has come in the Mess Department. We have acquired a live wire, who has systematized the feeding of patients and duty personnel, increased the palatability of the ration immeasurably, and infused the mess personnel with a totally new spirit. Thanks to Lt. Hatcherian's efforts, the Mess Department has risen well to the top of the league.

The nurses moved to their new quarters, a newly constructed apartment building, four weeks ago. Miss Knights has received a well-deserved promotion to the grade of Captain, ANC, an event gratefully welcomed by us all. She has run her service superbly and has met the slings and arrows of administrative vicissitudes with unfailing intelligence and understanding.

The flow of sick and injured through the hospital has adjusted itself to more or less of a maintenance level. With the cessation of hostilities in Tunisia we can envisage no further

undue strain on our service unless, perchance, some epidemic of disease should occur, or until the new European front is opened. We are in the planning stage for our next move, but, of course, without the least inkling as to when it will come or where it will take us.

Colonel Goethals' letters are of unfailing interest. This one, reporting on the 6th General Hospital between May 31 and July 11, is again compact with detail and allusion:

Various of our officers have taken trips from time to time to the neighboring base section from which most of our patients are received, travelling via hospital train. Early last month Don King and I took the trip, approximately 500 miles each way. We visited one general hospital and two station hospitals while there.

The first of these, at a seaside resort on the Mediterranean, is dispersed among over 100 separate villas, on three levels of grounds, and abuts on the sea. You may readily imagine the administrative difficulties of keeping the threads in hand when I tell you the institution is over a mile long from end to end! When the K.O. is inspecting one end of his domain and the Surgeon wants him on the phone for an urgent message, it is a matter of by-guess-and-by-God how long it will take to get on his trail. In addition to the long carry of meals to bedpatients scattered from Dan to Beersheba, there is also the problem of constantly overflowing septic tanks. One tank goes with each villa, and when the population thereof is excessive—which is always—pop goes the septic tank and another flood must be coped with. A tank truck known locally as the "honey-wagon" is constantly on the go, effecting mopping-up operations. The K.O. has a philosophical mien: he is evidently abreast of the situation and a little ahead of it!

We returned with a convoy of sick and injured, about half of them prisoners of war bound to the PW inclosure some 30 miles from here. During the past month we have had a convalescent camp attached to us, with makeshift personnel organized from two ship's hospital platoons. Since the camp is some five miles from us by road I have had to put Colonel Knott out there to lick it into shape, and have therefore been short-handed at Headquarters as a result. Major Zucker will take over as officer in charge tomorrow, when Knott returns to his desk.

Since my last to you we have lost Lang Parsons and Bill Arnold, the former to a station hospital several hundred miles away, the latter to a station hospital nearby. We are sorry to lose them, but Higher Authority ordained it and we had no recourse but to submit. We have acquired two chaplains vice Arnold, and

two acceptable young surgeons to replace Parsons and Heyl. Miss Barbour leaves us soon for a higher ARC echelon, and John McKittrick is about to be transferred to an evacuation hospital.

Gene Sullivan has received a well-merited promotion to the grade of Major, but has been absent on special duty for over a month now. Meanwhile Laboratory officer, Major MacMull, has been attached temporarily pending Sullivan's return, to cope with an extra load of laboratory work assigned us after the closing of the Base Medical Laboratory.

Our neuropsychiatric service received 30 per cent of patients admitted during June. That service is also carrying a heavy load, and Major Parker and Captain Drayer, both non-MGH men but both excellent psychiatrists, together with Ludwig, are taking the brunt. Drayer, incidentally, is away on special duty, and Bill Burrage has been loaned by the medical service to the NP.

The invasion of Sicily has just started. We are a long way off, but expect to get the repercussions of it in an increased turnover in a very short time.

The APO number for the 6th General Hospital has recently been changed to No. 764.

Under date of May 21, this welcome letter came to Dr. Faxon from Col. Edward D. Churchill:

First of all you will want to know about a certain General Hospital. I finally got around to paying them a visit although of course I should have liked to go there immediately. They have a fine establishment and are doing the excellent job that might be expected of them. The spirit is of the best and particularly the intense loyalty that has in the past and will in the future see them through the difficulties of Army life. Only one gripe—and that is endemic—too much paper work. Not because it is too much work but because it seems senseless and takes them away from their patients. . . .

This is a war of dispersion, however, as evidenced by the letters from all corners of the globe that pour into The News. This theatre is full of excellent surgeons who are doing fine work with real enthusiasm. The only thing they have to learn is that they are part of one large organization—the Medical Corps. They must learn to trust the fellow ahead and to realize that there are just as good men to the rear. With the true prima donna instinct of the surgeon they all think the fellow ahead has done a rotten job and that the fellow next in line certainly can't do as good a job—so have to sail in themselves. Of course I am fortunate in

getting a bird's eye view of what is a tremendous organization—extended in both space and time. With the Emergency Ward over a thousand miles from the Ward it is a little difficult to secure the coördination required.

As to my own experiences—as you know I am now qualified as an Equatorial Short Snorter. The trip over was uneventful except for the usual moments of terror experienced in air transport. As there was a war going on down in the east, I spent most of my time at the front for the first weeks. The front is a rather ill-defined region where there isn't much to be seen unless one is anxious to be a "Death or Glory" boy—not of much use in modern warfare. The nasty practice of road strafing provides the greatest excitement. Even a stork against the sky line gives one an anxious moment, and it doesn't help to be told the road is known as "Messerschmitt Alley." It is only fair to say that both sides rigorously respect the Medical Installations marked by a Red Cross. No instance has come to my attention of deliberate or even accidental attack on the Red Cross.

There is an unexcelled clinic on trauma running night and day. I am qualifying as an all-round expert and find myself in the strange situation of knowing how everything should be handled *except* wounds of the chest. I am thankful that Smith-Pete isn't around when I give a demonstration on splinting a fractured femur, or that Jason can't overhear my remarks on wounds of the head. However, forward surgery is a specialty in itself and we all start together at scratch. Like a strolling minstrel I pick up words of wisdom here and scatter them there.

If you have not received official notice of what my assignment is, I may say I am Consulting Surgeon of the North African Theater of Operations, known officially as NATOUSA (North African Theater Operations U.S.A.) Now we can get squared away as we have the stage all to ourselves. It has been a bit crowded over toward the east, but that has been corrected.

My best to everyone,

PETE.

M. G. H. Caps

Purchase from Miss Eunice Bradstreet, 427 East High St., Manchester, N. H. Mail order 6 for \$2.30. 3 for \$1.25, postpaid. Caps may also be purchased from Miss Hannah M. Wood, 423 East 64th Street, Apt. 47, 2nd Stairway, New York City, and Mrs. William Linehan, 35 Clark Street, Danvers, Massachusetts.

THE ALUMNAE

Canada

Dear—

Our "Port of Embarkation Orders," landed us in this cold bleak northern land. Our hospital is a string of tarred-paper-covered barracks. We have no running water, no bathroom facilities, and our wards are heated by pot-bellied coal stoves; there are cracks in the floors; and the rain comes in; but it's a great hospital. We have some fine doctors and do a lot of good work. It's a great experience and I wouldn't want to miss it. We have hopes of moving on before many months.

They had no women's clothes to keep us warm, so we were issued men's pants, boots, and size 40 parkas. Wish you could see us. I have met my first real Eskimos and have had a ride on a dog sled. We are very far from civilization, and it's a lonely place but we have a theatre with hard wooden benches, and a small recreation room, where we dance, so it isn't too bad. It's hard being so far away from all the people I know and I do miss you all, but I'm glad I joined. I'll be glad too, to be back working at P. H. someday.

Sincerely,

ARDENIA GREENE
(Ardenia Abbott, 1930)

2nd Station Hospital
A.P.O. 922 c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Johnson:

Your girls must be scattered to all parts of the world by now, so here is a greeting from somewhere in Australia. Ruth Haddon and I are still together in the same unit after joining and being at Camp Edwards together. We have found army life and nursing very interesting. Sometimes we laugh at our own improvisations and inconveniences.

The Unit we are with is quite small so moves rather quickly. We left the states about (——) and have been running this hospital almost a month now. Rather good speed when you consider all of our supplies came with us or followed, and there was very little else than the empty buildings which had been taken over

for our use. (——) cabins were rather crowded with twenty filling the space usually used for two. We saw some doctors on board ship who were familiar to us from the corridors of the Massachusetts General Hospital. I know the Unit they are with is in Australia but have not seen any of them since we left the boat.

I heard Base Hospital #6 was in Florida. Probably by this time they have left for some foreign shore, too. I hope they are as happy in their work as we are.

Censorship prevents me from telling about the hospital and our work or even of our interesting travels but I am sure this will prove an experience of untold value.

Undoubtedly the hospitals at home are feeling the effects of shortages both in materials and nurses. However, tell the girls that when every drop of hot water must be heated in a pail with an electric iron or a one-burner stove, nursing really becomes primitive. And yet it is wonderful to think that we can give intravenouses and such important treatments.

Although this is a great adventure I do hope it won't be too long before I see the Glory of the Bulfinch Dome again.

Sincerely yours,

MARY C. SWEENEY
(1939)

June 20, 1943
England

Dear Miss Tarbox,

I was most happy to receive your long and interesting letter, and so happy it was a real letter and not a V-mail. Though they do serve the purpose and facilitate transportation a great deal, they seem a bit formal and are so frequently stilted and short.

Your letter arrived some time ago and my desire was to sit down and write immediately, but here I am just getting the time and mood for it. A new group of nurses have arrived here and at Petie's old home. My hope was to find Eunice Grant among the new arrivals, but she apparently went to another station; however, among the new girls here are two from M.G.H. It is a pleasure to have a few more from there and it is so good to sit down and have a good old M.G.H. gab-fest. They are Mary Finn and Edwina Dwyer. You may recall Miss Finn for she affiliated at the E&E during my second year in the Throat Clinic. Both are very nice girls and they too will live up to the reputation of the school.

Dr. Dunphy arrived some time back, and both Tom C. and I

were delighted to see him. His first visit was very short and though he is stationed very near here we have not seen him since. He was looking well and had had a very fast but uneventful crossing. Apparently he stays put for very short periods, but this coming Wednesday we are having dinner with him in the nearby town. Can't you hear the conversation? Hope it will be as much fun as I anticipate and think it will. He had told me of his daughter's engagement so I was doubly pleased to receive the clipping. Golly, time does go so very rapidly. Seems only a few months ago that she was making her debut and he certainly seems so very young. Will tell more about the visit in the next letter.

The EEN&T Clinic and O.R. is opened for business now and I am working here. The clinic has been very light and I have made so many supplies I will soon be putting myself out of a job, to say nothing of the house. Tommie has had a bit of surgery, mostly squints, but recently he did two Trainor's operations for ptosis with excellent results. My knowledge of eye surgery and O.R. is very limited and we do have a minimum of equipment to work with but I am gradually absorbing quite a bit. Nose and throat angle seems to be going very well indeed, though most of it is routine stuff, such as tonsils, septums, and to make it interesting a rare and occasional mastoid. My experience has been mostly ENT so I do that with greater ease than Eye Work. I sure wish I had spent more time in Miss McMahon's house. T.C. is very patient and not too temperamental which helps a great deal. When we first started to get the O.R. ready there was great talk as to who the head nurse would be. I had been laboring under the impression that I would, for that was the original reason I joined the outfit. There was still some discussion and after going to the office etc. etc. I convinced the powers that be I should at least be given a try there, for besides wanting it badly, I had a great deal of pride and did not want to be pushed about too much. I think I have done a good job, one at least that shows I have had training and a certain amount of ability in that line. The real test will come when we get busy and temperaments clash, but feel that I can handle that. More on that score when I get back and can talk to you personally.

Time goes on and still we have much leisure time on our hands. We are very anxious to do a little more work, get this thing finished off, and get back to the States once again. It seems as if we have been away forever and a day. It makes me rather ashamed to realize just how little constructive work I have done and to recall all the work you girls did in the last war. We are frequently told to be patient, that the time will come when we are badly

needed, but now I rather doubt it; however, if we aren't busy there is the consolation that we are not needed by the boys and that is really fine.

The post-war nursing problem faces us all, and just what each of us will do when we get back home remains uppermost in our minds. That will probably iron itself out in time, but in the meantime one can't but wonder just what is waiting for us. Do you know if there is any school that gives courses in out-patient administration? Possibly one of the New York hospitals has a post-graduate course of some sort. That is a possibility I have been thinking of. Another one is to take the public health course and then sign up for rehabilitation group or plantation industrial nursing. Any information on either would be gratefully received. The office at M.G.H. might have something on either.

The March Quarterly arrived the day before your letter. The address is incorrect so it is late getting here, but when it does come you can imagine my pleasure. I almost devour it page by page. Miss White's letter from her Caribbean station was most interesting and I certainly envy her ability at describing the country where she is. She apparently enjoys her work very much. The 6th. Gen. Hosp. are apparently quite busy too. How we all wanted that assignment for we had many of our friends there, but they are rather far away so we can't change things, we have to be happy here in this post, and we do feel quite like the pampered darlings of the A.N.C. It is rather luxurious quarters we call home. Water, tubs, and other conveniences that none of us expected. I do not know what foreign posts are like in peace time but think that ours here could be compared. (Wait until winter comes again and we get chilled once again.)

We have few organized games such as baseball, but do have frequent dances and parties. We are not far from town, as Miss Peterson has probably told you but for entertainment it offers very little. The Red Cross has one dance a week, there are several movie houses and some good shops. Lots of places of historic interest, and it is a quaint little English town but most of our excitement, entertainment and play takes place here on the post and is self-made. It seems as if we celebrate for each and every occasion we can dig up. A few trips to London for a week-end pass breaks the monotony. London is interesting and there is always something to do there, mostly a play and sight-seeing. I enjoy both and have found a wonderful friend and compatriot in Frances Blank, my roommate. We do everything together and she is a grand gal. Grad. from McLean. You may know her sister Mildred, who works in the Tumor Cl. at M.G.H. Soon we are

going on our third leave and to Scotland again, but this time to Ayer which is on the River Doone and the land that Bobby Burns wrote so much about. We are staying at a very old but quaint inn there, and I think Bobbie stayed here when he went fishing. I am a bit vague about the possibilities of this place but perhaps we too might do a bit of fishing. That country is wonderful and am so happy that we have the opportunity to go back to Scotland once again. Next time I write I will tell you more about it. Fortunately we will be able to fly up, provided the weather is good. That is a rare treat for both of us.

Unfortunately I have not met many civilians, either here or at our last station, but once we get to know the English we find them most gracious and cordial. Last week we had an invitation to have tea and dinner with some. We took off across the downs as soon as we got off duty and went visiting and had a perfectly wonderful time. The trip over was nice, tho' all up hill and on turf. Hard stuff to bike on! The people met us there and took us about the farm, which was tremendous and stretched in all directions, as far as the eye could see. Fields and fields of wheat and barley, beautiful as the wind whipped across making it seem more like an ocean. The sheep were being sheared, so the farmer took us out to watch. It was quite interesting and I was surprised to note how docile they are while the shepherds shear them. They use a pair of electric clippers quite like those the barber uses, only larger. This is a new method, for they used shearing shears until two years ago. The house was very old and interesting. The original structure was built in the year 900 and the newer part added in 1200 plus. It was a small, low rambling white-washed thatched-roof place. Wisteria and clengelisa (sp.) of different colors covered the front of the building. Bright red geraniums were planted by the flag-stone walk and close against the house, and the contrast of bright colors, green grass, and the glaring white of the building itself made a lovely picture. Back of the house were rather lovely formal gardens and the flowers were of so many different names and shades I can't remember them all. Box-wood hedges all about the place. The walled-in kitchen garden was fun, for here we picked strawberries, green peas, dug some small potatoes and carrots, cut asparagus, pulled lettuce. Against one of the walls, quite protected from the wind and certainly in full use of the sun were the fruit trees. Pears, plums, and figs, their branches flat against the wall so that the sun would ripen the fruit. It seems a strange sight, but sensible. Next we had a look at the house inside. Very old, mind you, but so very homey and comfortable. The walls and ceilings were all plastered and beamed. The walls

were two or three feet thick. The floors are all hand-hewn boards and the stairs very winding and rickety. Each room had a huge fireplace and the kitchen with the old dutch oven stove was a rare treat. Tiles on the floor and dutch tile about the stove. The man said they bake well but are rather a disadvantage when it comes to quick boiling, so an old kerosene stove was used for that. The cider cellar was damp and freezing cold, and it was the place he thought would amuse me the most, it was so sort of prehistoric, before the time of electric refrigerators. I fooled him though and told him we used such rooms in Maine to cool the milk and keep our cider and butter. Took him back a bit, but I enjoyed that. The house has been recently renovated and the furniture and appointments were modern and comfortable, even the baths which were plentiful.

Dinner was at his sister-in-law's which originally was the head shepherd's house. The farmer himself lived over the stable. A small apartment had been fixed there, and these large houses have been closed for the duration for help is so very hard to get. We had a lovely dinner and for dessert had strawberries with gobs of Cornish cream. Mmmmmmm—it was delicious! That evening we had a few mint juleps, played the phonograph, and talked about everything under the sun. The farmer is single and apparently spends much of his free time reading. Books of all sorts just filled every nook and cranny of the house and his apartment. Many with beautiful bindings and ever so many of them were original copies. The whole afternoon and evening were very interesting, and how wonderful to be in a real home once again. This is the first time I have had the opportunity since I left the States, and the first real cream too.

You will soon be going to Maine for your vacation. My, how I envy you, and probably there will be few people spending their vacations there because of transportation. Maine is wonderful any time and more especially in the summer. Really, there can be no lovelier spot on earth than England in the spring and summer. We had a glorious spring here and everything is aglow with the vivid colors of the flowers, both wild and cultivated. The wild poppies are just going now and they are lovely and grow at random. The hay fields are partly cut and just below the top of the grass, the cross-section view is red with these flowers. I did not realize that they grew in such abundance. Yes, this is quite different and better than Ireland, though the social life is a decided change and not for the better. Such is war! I sincerely hope to get back to England for a long visit and enjoy it in peace time. Much of the surrounding countryside has been thoroughly enjoyed on bicycles. Soon we

expect to take some overnight trips and stretch our mileage a bit. I am not one for those long uninterrupted jumps, for it exhausts me for several days, but do want to see a bit more of England while I can.

I meant to tell you that we have had a great many patients that are English, or Tommies. They are wonderful boys and such dears to take care of. The officers were a bit different, but all in all it was fun. These people seem to have more interest in the simpler things than we do, and it is not hard to keep them amused when they are in for a long period. There is a great deal of difference in their educational system. It is apparently very complex and many have just a smattering of school training, but those that have certainly have a wider range of general knowledge than we, as educated Americans, do. You understand what I mean, but it will never cease to amaze me a bit.

One place we frequently go to get a good dinner and an occasional egg. It is six miles each way but the food is wonderful and a good change after eating in for weeks at a time. It is absolutely a pig-pen of a place and the waitress is so dingy we call her "Dirty Gerty". We could not bear the thoughts of even entering the place if it were not for the food. What one will do to get a good meal!

Many of our friends were in the big campaign in Africa but mail has now reached us and all are well. They had a tremendous job on their hands and did it well and we are very proud of them and pray that they will fare as well on this new and bigger job and soon we will all be back home. Must close now and go to church. Our chapel is a nisson hut and one of the enlisted men has fixed it up very nicely. The congregation is really tremendous. Give my best to everyone and I sincerely hope your problem of personnel has smoothed out a bit. It must be a terrible task to get help these days and that place without it would be almost impossible to run. Do write again when you have the opportunity for I enjoy your letters so very much. Have my alumni dues been paid? I asked my aunt to take care of them, but my family are such poor correspondents I never know where I stand. Best of luck and thanks many times again for the wonderful letter.

Sincerely,

EDWINA HUSSEY
(1937)

2nd. Lt. Edwina N. Hussey
5th. Gen. Hospital
A.P.O. 519 New York, N.Y.

SEPT. 22, 1943

Fran and I have just returned from our third leave and the second one in Scotland. We did have a quiet but wonderful time. Ayer, on the river Doon was our high hopes, but could not get reservations, so stayed in a small lodge at Inversnaid, Loch Lomond. Very quiet, restful and the place is lovely from a scenic point of view. The lodge was high on a hill on the bank of Loch Lomond and one could get a beautiful view of the lake in both directions. There were many mountains in that particular part and they were so interesting, for they never seemed the same. Some days obscured by clouds, another moment they were purplish blue and seemed so far away, the next minute they were covered with sunlight and verdant green grass, and cattle, horses, and sheep could be seen grazing on the slopes. The day might be bright and sunny at 6:00 but by the time we got up and dressed the place was wet with Scotch mist. It is not objectionable though for it is so soft and mild like the April showers at home. It was sad, but it did rain all the time we were there except for one day. That was heavenly and we climbed a mountain. What a place! The slopes were just as wet as the burns (Is that right?). Guess there is too much rain for them to ever drain dry. We did not mind the weather and spent most of our time out of doors. We walked to Loch Katrina and back, and the Trossachs in the distance were lovely. We fished and caught a few sea trout, but of no great size, walked along the shore and picked up some lovely quartz stones (which I want made into a bracelet some day) played bridge in the evening and talked with the other guests.

We went to Scotland by plane, and that was a big thrill. The countryside is so interesting. We flew out of London northwest over the Isle of Man, then northeast over the Clyde etc. The second you came over the Scotch territory you could not stop your desire to say, "This is Scotland now." There is that much difference in the land. Scotland in that particular section is very barren and scraggy appearing. The trip home however was not pleasant. We got wet properly when we left the Lodge then rode across the loch in the pouring rain to catch a bus to Glasgow. Our hair uncurled, our coats got messy, my stocking ran, and I was just miserable. After 7 hrs. we took a train, 3rd class for a 10 hour train trip back to London.

(E. H. 1937)

8th General Hospital
A.P.O. 502
San Francisco, California
July 23, 1943

Dear Miss Johnson:

I don't believe I ever thanked you for the card with a picture of the Bulfinch. It was very nice of you to hurry to get it into the mail, and I certainly appreciate it.

It was quite a surprise to find myself on the same ship that the 6th had crossed with. One of the ship's personnel, a former M.G.H. orderly gave me the details. However, I followed quite a different route, leaving New York and passing thru the canal. As we passed over the Pacific we had two beautifully wild storms. The moon shone brightly while the wind whipped the water into tremendous waves and the rain simply poured in torrents. I looked like a muskrat when I came down off deck, but it was too magnificent to miss.

I'm located at present on a South Pacific Isle, as one of my friends wrote, "a vacationer's paradise," that is, under normal conditions it could well be.

We are living in tents and up until quite recently, slept on canvas cots, minus mattress. It's quite a luxury to sleep in a bed with mattress again, and to be able to change position without experiencing acute discomfort.

Mess kits are the present vogue in the way of eating utensils, quite a problem to keep scoured and bright.

I'm writing this by candle-light, sitting on my bunk, so I'm sure it's no improvement on my naturally poor script.

Although this is the winter season here, the climate is similar to a New England summer except that it rains harder, at which time we tuck our trousers into our boots and closely resemble a bunch of Russian farmers, certainly not at all glamorous.

We do our laundry and bathe in a cold mountain stream. I verily believe that my daily dips in this water have toughened me to the extent that I don't seem to develop pneumonia, despite my frequent exposure to "The Rains Came!"

Some of the girls go riding a lot, as there seem to be many horses about. They are rather spirited however, and I haven't quite gotten my courage up to the point of venturing a ride.

Have done some flying. It's quite an experience, as this is a very mountainous region, with a beautifully irregular coastline.

The natives speak French. Fortunately they also understand

a few words of English, as my French is quite poor.

I had quite an experience one Sunday trying to make a native understand that I wished to pick a stalk of bananas, partly ripe ones, off one of his trees. He kept trying to persuade me to take a very poor stalk. It reminded me of an experience one of the officers had when we stopped at an island on the way over. The officer put a five-dollar bill over the side to a native in a boat, and asked for a dollar's worth of coconuts. The native said he didn't know how to make change, so sent up \$5 worth of coconuts, whereupon the officer made remarks to the effect that the native was too stupid to even make change. Frankly I was quite impressed by the native's cleverness.

There are a lot of banana, orange, lemon, lime, and pineapple trees around, also coconut, but the coconuts are hard to get, as the trees are so difficult to climb, and I have yet to develop the agility with which the natives run up and down the darn things.

Talked with Dr. Charles Mixter and Sybil Beatham the other day. Peg Mahoney had quite a bad cold, but has recovered somewhat.

Sorry the censorship is so strict, as we have many and varied interesting experiences.

Please give my regards to Miss Sleeper, and Miss Williams, also any other of my friends that you may see.

Sincerely,

STEPHANIE B. CONVELSKI
(1933)

Dear Grace:

Aug. 23, 1943
Sicily

Having just reread your letter about the nursing situation at home I try to wonder how it feels to get upset about stuff like that. Don't worry—When we all get home we'll make short work of those kind of people. I also just read in Life Magazine of the race riots in Detroit. Why in the world can't people at home behave with a little civilized Christian dignity at least until these men over here get thru the ghastly ordeals they are putting up with? Well, the campaign is over in Sicily, more men are dead and wounded and the Allies have another mob of hungry people on their hands. What a mad thing this war is.

We arrived in Sicily five days after the invasion. Each time we make a move we are deprived of a few more of the comforts of life. This time we slept on the ground for two weeks—ate cold rations from those awful little cans for days and generally lived

with nothing but our toothbrushes. We came over on small landing boats and waded in on a beach. True to my usual custom of gazing around at the sights of Gela I got lost from the rest of the outfit with another girl (we were the first girls to arrive in these parts) and by the time seven excited M.P.'s on motorcycles got us located again we had collected a following of a few hundred civilians. I guess they thought the Red Cross brassard on our arms meant Mrs. Roosevelt's mercy ship was in and that free food would soon be distributed. Things here are deplorable. While we were waiting for our equipment to be unloaded about a dozen of us were sent up to help a medical battalion which had been acting as an evac. hospital 'til we got organized. They had been very busy but by the time we got there about all I could find to do for the war effort was to donate my sunglasses to a sad little nineteen-year-old soldier from Tennessee I found sitting under a tree with a bad case of measles.

When our own stuff arrived we promptly started toward the front and really had a lot of work. The roads are awful. The country is just a mass of steep hills, and of course the bridges were all blown out so that darned contractor "detour" had preceded us into the most gosh-awful places. We saw a little air activity in one place but when the end of the war came we were nearly across the Island—had moved up completely into 3 different locations in order to be near the wounded and had taken care of a lot of wounded. I am still amazed at the speed with which we get around. We wake up some morning with a couple of hundred patients and noon finds them all evacuated (except a few non-transportables we usually leave with a medical battalion company—) the whole darned hospital loaded on trucks and night may find us somewhere else—set up again and operating like mad as they pour in from the front. We have good equipment and plenty of it, but taking down and putting up all these tents is a lot of work—not to mention all the packing. Sometimes our location is already covered with soldiers on litters when we get to a place. In that case we go around immediately with morphine—blood pressures and give plasmas where we need to by tying the bottles to the trees, until we get our tents up. That blood plasma is wonderful stuff. It has saved many a life already. Also the sulfa drugs. An infected wound is a rare thing in spite of the conditions under which they are received and the length of time until they are cleaned up. All this may give you some idea why silly bickering seems so remote. We all work until the patients stop coming in or else until we almost drop and then grab a bit of sleep and begin again. I think that is what I like most about this kind of nursing—and one feels as if one is of some importance especially as the boys are *so* glad to see us.

I wouldn't have believed how much they appreciate the sight of an American girl and they are so perfectly sure they will recover as soon as they hear nurses are in the vicinity. Right now we are set up at a swell beach and have a lot of malaria and sand-fly fever cases but little surgery. It is more like Station hospitals in the states in that they aren't so sick and we keep them until they can go back to their outfits. I am on night duty so spend every afternoon in the water. I am as tanned as an Indian and never felt better in my life. All of which goes to show that one can get along without lace curtains and flush toilets.

Well, I have a lot of other letters to write so will close—. Oh, Doris Knights is chief of the M.G.H. unit now in Casablanca (No. Africa) or near there—she is a Captain. Dr. Churchill is chief surgeon for No. African and now this theatre of operations and has been around several times. He told me I am the only M.G.H. nurse he has seen in Sicily. Connie is somewhere in the So. Pacific. I had a letter from her just a short time ago. Dot Moles and Jessie Brooks are in the M.G.H. unit—I hear from them often. It is 3 A.M.—time for coffee—I'll break my neck on a tent peg in the blackout yet I know. Either that or fall in a fox hole!

Love, Peg,

MARGARET E. NELSON
(1933)

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FIRST CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR U. S. CADET NURSES IN EAST OPENED BY M. G. H.ers

On Monday, September 20, 1943, a class of 125 student nurses, members of the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps, began their instruction

at the new Central School, 25 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.

This School is an outgrowth of the Teaching Service for Schools of Nursing of which Mrs. Helen C. LaVey (Helen Curley, M.G.H. 1924) and Miss Mildred H. Cartland (M.G.H. 1914) are the originators and directors.

The Schools participating in this Centralized Teaching plan are Choate Memorial, Woburn; Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain; Lawrence Memorial, Medford; St. Margaret's Hospital, Dorchester; Symmes, Arlington; Whidden Memorial, Everett.

Instruction in the basic sciences is afforded these students on an accelerated schedule and is so planned that the students spend two days weekly at the Central School.

Faculty consists of Miss Cartland and Mrs. LaVey; Miss Anne McKeon, well-known graduate of Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, who brings a wealth of experience and skill to the Service; Elizabeth Smith (M.G.H. 1934), who joined the Teaching Service last January and who is extremely active both in the Centralized Teaching and in the Visiting Teaching which continues; Miss Greta Safgren, a recent and promising graduate of Cambridge Hospital, as assistant instructor.

Judging by the great coöperation extended the project both by the participating schools and many interested friends, and the increasing number of calls for instructional service, this centralized teaching plan apparently answers a distinct need in the Boston area.

ENGAGEMENTS

Clarissa Peters (1937) to Mr. George E. Allen of Montpelier, Vermont.

MARRIAGES

Winona Meilleur (1941) to Lt. Hiram E. Harris, Jr. on July 12, 1942 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Katherine Alice Chase (1943) to Mr. Ralph Harwood Perry on February 20, 1943 in West Rutland, Vermont.

Bertha Margaret Coskie (1934) to Mr. David Goodridge Proctor on June 12, 1943 in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Barbara Uhl (1941) to Mr. William B. Atkinson on June 16, 1943.

Nancy Forbes (1934) to Mr. Frank Albert Johnson on July 17, 1943 in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Karen Mabel Saarinen (1942) to Lt. Edward James Flaherty, Jr., U.S.M.C.R. on September 4, 1943 at the Post Chapel in Quantico, Virginia.

Jean A. Houghton (1939) to Lt. William Jessamin Baker, M.C.U.S.N.R. in September, 1943, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, Jr. (Marjorie Hutt, 1940) announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Lynn, on March 24, 1943, in New Haven, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor A. Seigny (Ethel M. Perry, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Donald Brian, on June 7, 1943, at the Rutland Hospital, Rutland, Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard W. Larracey (Florence G. Breen, 1937) announce the birth of a son, Richard Bernard, on June 10, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cavanaugh (Barbara Ann Dooley, 1942) announce the birth of a son, John William, 2nd, on June 12, 1943, at a hospital in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Augustus Hackett (Lois L. Beech, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Joseph Augustus, Jr., on July 17, 1943, at the Glover Memorial Hospital, Needham, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Devine (Mary T. McInnis, 1927) announce the birth of a son, Phillip Devine, on July 21, 1943, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Zolner (Elizabeth M. Calandrin, 1940) announce the birth of a son, William John Zolner, 3rd, on July 30, 1943 at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Guthrie (Virginia Constance Griswold, 1940) announce the birth of a son, John Clinton, on September 12, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. King (Evelyn Gardiner, 1933) announce the birth of a son, Michael Edward, on September 18, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Kelleher (Kathleen McAuliffe, 1937) announce the birth of a third son, Colin, on September 20, 1943, at the Whidden Memorial Hospital, Everett, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

WINIFRED H. BROOKS

Miss Winifred H. Brooks (1896) died in Agawam, Massachusetts, on August 1, 1943. Miss Brooks sustained a fractured hip three years ago from which she never recovered. She was born on January 11, 1868, in Augusta, Maine, graduated from Cony High School, Augusta; Colby College, Waterville, Maine, where she was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa National Honorary Society; following her graduation from the M.G.H. Miss Brooks organized the Jordan Hospital in Plymouth, Massachusetts; served for seventeen years as superintendent of the Wesson Maternity Hospital, Springfield, Massachusetts, where many of the Alumnae will remember her. Twelve years ago she retired as superintendent of the City Hospital in Rockville, Connecticut. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery, Farmington, Maine.

ORA M. LEWIS

Miss Ora Mabelle Lewis, for twenty years associated with the Social Service Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital, died on July 14, 1943, in Berwick, Nova Scotia.

MARIETTA DICKEY BARNABY

The Boston nursing profession was saddened by the death on July 9, 1943, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital, of Miss Marietta Barnaby, 78, registrar for the past ten years of the Central Directory for Nurses, District 5, Massachusetts State Nurses Association.

Miss Barnaby was the oldest graduate of the Salem Hospital Nurses' School. She was superintendent of the Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital, Gardner, Massachusetts, for twenty-one years. Central Directory has lost a hard-working, loyal member, whose full concise reports given at the local and state nurses' meetings will be greatly missed.

Certainly she lived a full active life up to the end. Her funeral services were held in the Lindsey Memorial Chapel of Emmanuel Church, Boston.

NEWS

Grace P. Follett (1939) was granted a leave of absence from the first of June to September. Miss Follett was in charge of the instruction in nursing at Bryn Mawr College Summer School of Nursing, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

Mr. William H. Henderson (husband of Barbara E. Macleod, 1915) was appointed by Park Street Church as City Missionary, to patrol the Boston Common as an evangelist. His summer days have been full and some of his contacts sad and pitiful.

Amanda B. Hardy (1926) has joined the Army Nurse Corps and now at Devens.

The many M.G.H. friends of Minnie E. Pohe will be interested to hear that she has been granted a year's leave of absence from the University of California School of Nursing at the request of Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon-general. Miss Pohe will work under Miss Lucile Petry, Director of the United States Public Health Service in Washington, D.C.

Miss Grace McLeay (1896) recently visited her friend and classmate, Mrs. Jacob Heaney (Georgiana M. Sutherland, 1896) in St. Stephen, New Brunswick.

Helen O'Dea (1913) and Mrs. Bramwell (Phyllis V. Groah, 1927) are employed as First Aid Nurses at the Bethlehem-Hingham shipyard and are enthusiastic over their work.

Mrs. McGrath (Margaret T. O'Neil, 1934) recently visited her husband who is in service in a Southern Camp.

Louise G. Moser (1936) has joined the armed forces, and is a member of the 50th General Hospital, Camp Carson, Colorado.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Don Snow (Mildred Hubbard, 1915) and her sister Hortense, on the death of their mother, Mrs. Grace G. Hubbard, on August 29, 1943, at her home, 11 Forest Ave., Salem, Massachusetts, following a long illness.

The engagement of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Collers' daughter, Jean Edward of Ann Arbor, Michigan, to Corporal Arthur W. Allen, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Allen of Brookline, Massachusetts, was of interest to many of the Alumnae.

Miss Esther Dart (1891) is making her permanent home in the Worthen Memorial, Bedford, Massachusetts.

Mrs. William Linehan (Dorothy T. Williams, 1934) has discontinued making M.G.H. Caps, because she is unable to obtain the necessary material.

The Misses Hazel and Harriet Wedgewood (1910-1919) extend a cordial invitation to their friends to call at their new home, 31 Raymond St., Allston, Massachusetts.

"The place may be different
But the welcome's the same."

Edna S. Lepper (1926) and Barbara Williams (1920) were among the Boston nurses who attended the Thirteenth Biennial Convention, New England Division of the American Nurses Association. It was held at the Poland Spring House, Poland Spring, Maine, June 8th to 11th, 1943. The Convention Theme—"Our War Time Responsibilities." Miss Lepper gave a very interesting paper on "Paid and Volunteer Workers."

The following Alumnae members enjoyed breakfast together in the beautiful dining-room at Poland Springs Hotel:

Eunice Smith (1902) Homeopathic Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island; Helen Marble (1920) V.N.A. Providence, Rhode Island; Barbara Williams (1920) T.S.O. M.G.H.; Eileen Young (1920) Webber Hospital, Biddeford, Maine; Esther Martinson (1925) Vermont Department of Health, Montpelier, Vermont; Dorothy Allen (1924) Department of Health, Johnson, Vermont; Edna Lepper (1926) T.S.O. M.G.H.; Irma Reeve (1919) V.N.A. New Haven, Connecticut.

Eunice Smith (1902) and Irma Reeve have been working on the New England Division Committee to study the need for a Nurse Placement Councilling Service in New England. While no action is to be taken in regard to a regional placement service now, this committee has been charged with the responsibility of watching new developments in the placement field, particularly on the federal level, and if it seems indicated after the war to revive the question of the place for a regional service in New England.

Lt. Helen Elizabeth Wright (1941) A.N.C. is stationed at the Air Base, Miami Beach, Florida.

Ensign Mary H. Staats (1937) is a member of the Navy Nurse Corps and on active duty in the Norfolk Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia.

Julia Boghosian (1939) is in charge of the Operating Room succeeding Mrs. Cordelia W. King (1932).

Katherine MacKenzie (1941) is working at the Veteran's Hospital, Northampton, Massachusetts.

Dora E. McEwan (1924) is Director of the Utica Central School of Nursing, Utica, New York.

In August a visitor called at the School of Nursing Office to say she was a friend of Kleoniki G. Klonari (1899) the first Greek nurse to come to the United States to study nursing. Two years ago this lady had seen Miss Klonari in Athens, Greece, where she was in charge of a Children's Hospital. When the Nazis occupied Athens, Miss Klonari took her children to the mountains.

We welcomed the sailing of the diplomatic exchange ship "Gripsholm" on September 2, 1943 from New York for the Orient. It carried high hopes of relatives and friends back home, for the safe return of loved ones, who have been in Japanese hands since Pearl Harbor. One of the persons known to the Editor is Dr. Hugh L. Robinson, husband of Olga Olsen, 1915, and father of four children, now separated from them for over two years with no direct contact. Mrs. John B. Hazard (Etta M. Holly, 1931) is one of the four Red Cross nurses to sail on this ship. We wish her Godspeed.

Barbara Ann Pickett (1940) formerly head nurse in the Baker Memorial is now Stewardess-Nurse on the Seaboard Railway. She may be contacted through Mr. C. S. Ball, Passenger Traffic Manager, Norfolk, Virginia.

Regina A. Piippo (1941) formerly a private duty nurse in New York City, spent her vacation at Palm Beach, Florida, pending her call in the Navy Nurse Corps.

Miss Amy E. Potts (1891) of 1536 Chapala Street, Santa Barbara, California, sent to the Editor a newspaper clipping, referring to the tragic death at a grade crossing of Katherine A. Scott, a graduate of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London. She was a physiotherapist who had studied at the M.G.H., later doing Public Health work in Boston:

A Life of Unusual Service

Seldom in Santa Barbara has death uncovered to general knowledge for the first time a record of public service as fine, genuine, and selfless as that left by Miss Katherine Scott, specialist in the care and assistance of handicapped children.

One of those grade-crossing accidents that continue to snuff out American lives because states and railroad companies cannot

afford to build over- and under-passes, snuffed out Miss Scott's life Wednesday morning. Within a few hours hundreds of Santa Barbarans were learning for the first time—from those in the official positions to know—that for 25 years Miss Scott had been giving her whole life, time, energy and money, to the aid of children who lacked normal ability to aid themselves. From the general hospital, from the schools, from the charities, from the health departments came a story that was all of one piece, sincere and complete. It told of a woman who had given all she had to those who needed it most. In each report the quality of the services recounted were proved priceless because the giver had refused to put upon them even the price of publicity and appreciation that so few are rich enough in character to refuse.

No one who can understand such giving will regret that Miss Scott's work was not better known. She received all she asked for or wanted. No one can receive more.

But, should the situation, the needs and the opportunities permit, it would be fitting to all things concerned that something for the service of handicapped children in Santa Barbara should be founded and continued in the name of Katharine Scott.—*Santa-Barbara News-Press*.

Miss Mary E. Melville (1888) was a patient in the Phillips House last July.

Dorothy Leavitt (1925) resigned as Public Health nurse in Brattleboro, Vermont, last June. After spending a three weeks' vacation at Long Beach, Rockport, Massachusetts, Miss Leavitt became camp nurse at "Camp Aloha," Fairlee, Vermont, from June 25 to August 25. She is now a member of the staff at the Essex County Sanatorium near Danvers, Massachusetts.

Hazel R. Gammon (1916) is Nursing Arts Instructor at the Brockton Hospital where they have recently reorganized the school and erected a \$50,000 educational building.

2nd Lt. Carolyne Reed (Carolyne S. Hayward, 1922) A.N.C., is a member of the Station Hospital, Pine Camps, Watertown, New York.

On July 1, 1943, Mrs. James Murry Gallison (Mae B. Kells 1909) announced the engagement of her daughter Elizabeth Gallison to Lt. Edward Butler Hutton, U.S.N.R., of Brookline, Massachusetts.

Winnifred G. Wilson (1924) of 9 Chambers Street, Boston (14) Massachusetts, Apt. No. 4, is agent for the Alumnae Private

Duty Nurses Group of the Massachusetts Hospital Service Inc. Group No. 3184.

Mrs. Edward L. Clark (Eleanor F. Fowle, 1918), who is employed at the Meriden Hospital, Meriden, Connecticut, writes that her eldest son, Admont Clark, was commissioned an Ensign in the Coast Guard last May, and is now sub-chasing somewhere in the Atlantic. Her other two sons were deferred to continue their studies, Wilson at Cornell University, working toward a doctorate in Chemistry, and Carl, majoring in Physics at Worcester Technology.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles J. DiPerri (Gertrude Pollock, 1934) have purchased "The Wiscasset Inn," Wiscasset, Maine. In July they opened it for business.

Mrs. Hiram E. Harris, Jr. (Winona Meilleur, 1941) is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington State, after travelling throughout the country with her husband for eight months.

We are glad to report that Miss Alvira B. Stevens is making a favorable convalescence from her unfortunate accident of last June.

The sixth floor of the Baker Memorial has been closed to patients temporarily, and is now housing student nurses, to make room for the large September class. Eighty-five entered.

Miss Johnson took her vacation in August, going to her old home in Washington, Connecticut. It is hoped that she had a restful time after a year of arduous duty.

The Alumnae will be interested to hear that Col. Walter Bauer is Medical Consultant and Coördinator of Medical Activities for the 8th Service Command, with headquarters in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Harry L. Paddon

(Reprinted from *Among The Deep Sea Fishers*, International Grenfell Association)

It was in Boston, while packing Needlework Guild garments to be sent to Labrador, that I first knew of Mina Gilchrist (1907), who is now known to many of us as Mrs. Harry L. Paddon, of North West River, Labrador. At that time, she made an indelible impression on us as being a perfectly grand person, versatile to her finger tips, no matter what the job. Now, after many years

have slipped by, I find that my feelings toward her have not changed. She is a very real person.

During these years, she has ably shouldered heavy responsibilities of a double nature. Being the mother of four active sons of her own, she has mothered dozens of other children in and around Hamilton Inlet, where she has nursed untiringly the "live-yeres," as well as the Nascope Indians, who appear summer after summer, very mysteriously, as part of the summer colony at North West River.

As the wife of our dear friend, the late Dr. Paddon, she has shared with him the responsibility of all the many problems that develop, sometimes as quickly as mushrooms in a fast growing community.

It was through her interest that the Industrial work became such an asset to the people of Labrador. Mina Paddon is well suited for each position as it comes along. She is never too tired to help her northern neighbors, who love her as one of their very own flesh and blood. She is the most understanding as well as the most delightful person I have ever known, and I shall always feel humble in her presence. She is ever resourceful, always wonderfully calm under the most difficult situations, and has the gift of knowing just what to do at the right time.

Now, at North West River, things are humming with war activities. I have a strong feeling that Mina Paddon is already one jump ahead of the U. S. Army. For she is a far-seeing person and would not need an accelerated schedule to be well prepared for the influx of Army personnel.

Her sound advice and loving understanding of our northern neighbors is, without doubt, one of the greatest blessings that has ever come to the people of Labrador.

M. G.

We note with interest that the Right Reverend Henry Knox Sherrill, Bishop of Massachusetts, has recently flown from Seattle to Alaska, to visit Protestant Chaplains and servicemen. Bishop Sherrill was the popular Chaplain of Base Hospital No. 6, World War I.

Betty Dumaine (1926), American Red Cross, has arrived safely in Calcutta, India.

Ingeborg Grosser (1943) is now one of the instructors in Nursing Arts at the M.G.H.

Winifred J. Holmes (1941) has resigned as instructor at the Morton Hospital, Taunton, Massachusetts, to continue her work for a degree at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Louise Carlson (1936) has resigned from Saint Luke's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, and has accepted a position in the Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, as Associate Director of Nurses.

Mrs. Herbert Bridges (Lois Woodbury, 1942) is assisting Miss Sylvia Perkins (1928), Nursing Arts Instructor.

Olga Andruskiw (1940), formerly Nursing Arts Instructor at the Women's Medical College Hospital in Philadelphia, has accepted the position of Assistant in Nursing Arts at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

As the *Quarterly* goes to print, we regretfully learn of the sudden death of Dr. George Adams Leland, Jr. (W. S. 1912) and husband of Letitia G. Brookins (1912).

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Now thank we all our God,
With heart, and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.
O, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

—J. S. Bach

ADVENTURE IN NURSING

On the wall beside my fireplace are three photographs. The top one shows a Negro graduate nurse surrounded by four Negro student nurses sitting in uniform on a bench under a gigantic ash tree. Everyone is smiling. The middle picture shows five white student nurses, wearing the uniforms of three different schools. Conspicuous in the foreground is a weatherbeaten sign which reads "Bryn Mawr College, Taylor Hall, Pembroke East and West." Everyone is smiling in this picture, too. The bottom picture shows an instructor in the uniform of Columbia-Presbyterian, minus the bib and apron which wartime shortage of laundry forbids, in the midst of a group of student nurses wearing different uniforms, half of them with some part bandaged, half holding an unfinished roller bandage in one hand, the other end attached to a student. And even these nurses are all smiling. They may be perspiring, too, for the heavy, long-sleeved uniforms are not well adapted to the summer climate of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

These pictures remind me that I spent three months in the summer of 1943 as a participant in one of the most original ventures which have so far come out of the needs of nursing. For an antecedent you would have to go back to the Vassar Training Camp of 1918, when over 500 college graduates were assembled for a rigorous and intensive preclinical program under the leadership of Miss Nutting. The Bryn Mawr College Summer School of Nursing has benefited directly from the Vassar Camp, for both its sponsor, Mrs. Thomas Raeburn White, and its Dean, Miss Margaret Conrad, were Vassar Campers in World War I. We who have worked with the young women at Bryn Mawr in World War II feel that from their numbers will come equally distinguished leaders of the future, but we hope that they may not have to prove themselves under so grim circumstances as beset nursing in this year 1943.

Though the Bryn Mawr School has been small in numbers compared with the Vassar Camp, it has been in operation three successive summers. Thus since the summer before Pearl Harbor it has achieved some continuity of influence, though its students have numbered not many more than one hundred fifty in this period of time. After the first season it proved more satisfactory for all students to be accepted by and enrolled in their own hospital school and sent by the school to Bryn Mawr. Since a number of outstanding schools have been represented in this way, Bryn Mawr's influence has been widespread and will continue to be so in years to come, even though there may never be another Summer School. Lincoln School for Negro Nurses and Columbia-Presby-

terian have been represented all three years. In 1942 the major portion of the student body were enrolled at Johns Hopkins, which in 1943 participated in an all-Baltimore plan instead. In 1943 students came from five schools, as follows:

Columbia-Presbyterian, New York	45 students
St. Luke's, New York	8 students
Lincoln School for Negro Nurses, New York	6 students
M. G. H.	6 students
Strong Memorial, Rochester, N. Y.	4 students

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We at M. G. H. are glad to have been represented, though the fact that only six students chose Bryn Mawr instead of our July class at home created certain problems in transition from the Bryn Mawr program to one set up under different conditions.

Though the students were destined for only five schools of nursing, they were drawn from about sixty colleges scattered chiefly over the eastern half of the United States. About three fourths of them had had two years of college, which was the minimum requirement; the rest were college graduates.

The faculty in Nursing Arts included a representative from each hospital school. There was, however, only one full-time member, since the assistants carried the full weight of the laboratory sciences except for the lectures, and one assistant was Infirmary nurse, a true twenty-four hour job at times and a taxing one always. One might add that it has become a Bryn Mawr tradition for the Infirmary nurse to be a Presbyterian graduate and to get married to a Navy man at the end of the summer.

One faculty member deserves a paragraph all her own, for none of us can forget Miss Yeager, Assistant Administrator and Instructor in Body Mechanics (flexibility is the password for all alumnae). It was her fate to cope with my request for bathing lotion for hundreds of back rubs from local drug stores that thought in terms of one pint as a generous supply, to convince Nick's Rental Laundry that sheets *must* tuck in at least one end, to open the swimming pool at the scheduled time and give instruction though but one feeble swimmer appeared, to play victrola records on the lawn at night and move inside if the mosquitoes grew too fierce, to pray for rain on nights secretly scheduled for a midnight fire drill so we would not have to go outdoors by way of the circular staircases in the stone towers, to keep up our spirits when we were evicted from our beds and rooms by air raid alarms at 4:30 A.M., and always, always to be ready to take us for a short walk of two hours!

The science faculty had more names than could be repeated here. Dr. Abby Turner, Professor Emeritus at Mt. Holyoke, lent

grace to the course in Anatomy, and our star lecturer was Dr. Arnow, author of the well known chemistry text.

The curriculum was essentially that of any preclinical period of sixteen to eighteen weeks compressed into thirteen, with two notable exceptions. There was no nutrition, and the hours in nursing were about half those of a full course. Clinical facilities were not available; the session was of thirteen weeks; and in preparing students for different schools, it seemed impractical to attempt the more advanced and specific techniques. We tried to bring each student to the point where she could make good beds, give good baths, give good back care, think of the patient's safety and comfort, and take accurate temperature, pulse, respiration, and blood pressure. Other procedures were demonstrated, and there were discussions of fundamental attitudes which, to judge by our own six young women, have carried over successfully. There is no doubt that Introduction to Nursing held the students' interest as the sciences alone could not do. Those who were not quite sure they wanted to be nurses all were convinced by the two half-days spent in August at a real hospital.

The summer was a full one for students and faculty both because of the heavy class schedule and the abundance of extra-curricular activities. On Monday evenings we had a series of speakers including Mrs. Munson from the *Journal*, Miss Stewart from Teachers College, Miss Taylor from the Children's Bureau, an army nurse returned from New Caledonia who arranged to take us through the enormous military hospital at Valley Forge where rehabilitation of blind soldiers is a special project, Miss Carr of the Near East Foundation, Miss Wales of the Red Cross for opening night, and Miss Alta Dines for closing night. One of my regrets as M. G. H. representative was that neither Miss Johnson nor Miss Sleeper was able to visit us.

During our first two weeks the campus housed an international conference on post-war rehabilitation, to many of which sessions we went. This was followed by a conference of Friends (Quakers), at which we heard Mrs. Pearl Buck speak.

Families and friends were far away from most of us, and Bryn Mawr is strikingly devoid of ready-made forms of entertainment. In previous years many trips were made to outdoor concerts by the Philadelphia Orchestra in the Dells, but in 1943 Miss Yeager worked all summer to get enough gas to take students to Philadelphia for eight hours of hospital experience. We did make two long, hard trips to the Dells by public conveyance, once to hear Paul Robeson, once to hear the Tschaikovsky Violin Concerto.

We made our own entertainment. Week-ends meant hikes to the Barn, where we shall always remember how bold chickens

snatched food from our hands instead of being roasted. A faculty-student mock-serious debate was held in costume on the inspiring topic, "Shall the Medical Profession Rule the World?" The students did so brilliantly with the negative that a repeat performance was called for, while the faculty retreated in confusion and mirth.

The first reunion was held in August with student and faculty guests from 1941 and 1942. For this occasion the students had a water carnival, almost without rehearsal, for which the class schedule had allowed no time. Both skits and formations were done. One student swam the length of the pool propelling a bedpan before her; another successfully transferred a culture in midstream.

It was for this week-end that the students wrote their very best song, a parody of "Arthur Murray Taught Me Dancing in a Hurry," but students and faculty alike poured forth new songs and jingles for all occasions.

Reunion week-end had its serious side. In the cloisters of the Gothic library we held a student-faculty discussion of leadership. Under the trees where the famous May Day hoops are rolled, we held an outdoor chapel service. Each Sunday the students planned and directed their own service without faculty participation. We were fortunate in having a minister's daughter, a girl with experience in choir direction, an organist, a daughter and grand-daughter of Louise Homer, several good voices, and genuine interest.

We might in conclusion look at the values which the Bryn Mawr plan represents for students and faculty. If I have made it sound gay, it was gay, but many times we felt individually and collectively that with a little less concomitant learning, we might not have to work so many nights till eleven, twelve, and into the small hours catching up on the daily necessities. It would have helped if the coffee ration had been lifted earlier. I do not know how students or faculty could have done the last three weeks without evening coffee. Now we have forgotten the fatigue and remember how much we gained from thirteen brief weeks. It is fascinating to think that a group of highly traditional schools could participate in so spontaneous a program where students and faculty met on terms of intellectual and social give and take. We were helped by the atmosphere of a college campus and by the fact that many students came straight from their own campus. There was also freedom from the burden of service needs: we had no patients and no time slips.

My greatest hope for the Bryn Mawr students is that they may be nurses, American nurses if you will, but not first of all Presbyterian nurses nor St. Luke's nurses nor M. G. H. nurses. When procedures and policies were to be considered, it appeared

many times that graduate nurses are more representative of their own schools than of a profession which should be universal. Despite a certain loss of impetus in the reteaching of procedures when the students reached their own schools, I hope that primacy may outlast recency, and that these Bryn Mawr students may always place reason above tradition, and think in terms of safety, comfort, fine workmanship, and the best use of resources rather than that Step 19 says "go to opposite side of bed."

That kind of reaching for fundamentals is a solid value, but it will take another generation to know whether in nursing a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump. Of a more immediate value I am today aware. It is that student nurses can be happy, yes, even during the preclinical period. How many of our colleagues could honestly say they would *like* to live through training a second time? The Bryn Mawr students were at an age when firm friendships are easily formed, and the sadness on closing night was like that of a college commencement: a world seemed to have come to an end. Permanence of those relationships may be one way by which a broader view of nursing will be worked out in years to come.

Yes, our students were happy. They sang at table, nonsense songs, class songs, old love songs, and on hot days a favorite was "I'm dreaming of a white Christmas." The faculty sang, too. We had an ice cream song the students had too much of. Perhaps one more demonstration of the fact that we were a happy group was that when we practiced TPR's, the pulses were all normal. This is not to say that our students took supervision lightly nor enjoyed picking up utility rooms, but their pulses did not race.

The true ending of the first installment of this happy story is that the students were eager to get to M. G. H. and begin real nursing, that when they arrived everyone was glad to see them, and that after two months on duty they still are glad to be here at home. They are now taking advanced classes while completing Nursing Arts and Nutrition I. Next month they will put on caps and checks on the same day, and by the spring or summer issue of the *Quarterly* they should be able to make some interesting comparisons between their first year and that of the July class.

GRACE PARKER FOLLETT, M. G. H. '39



The Christmas Candlelight Service will be held this year in the Rotunda on Monday evening, December 20th at 8:30 o'clock. The speaker will be the Reverend Herbert Hitchen, D.D., minister of the First Unitarian Society, West Newton, Massachusetts.



*An Army nurse's day on duty in Australia described in poetic form
by Helen Oakes Chadbourne (1932)*

A DAY

Awakened by a beating of the drums
As silently upon my cot, I lay,
And like a precious locket, dreams are kept ;
Because, dear God, this is another day.

The beating drums come nearer, one by one
As hurriedly I quickly make my way,
The bugler's notes rise up and pierce the air,
And in full dress I stand at reveille.

The sun climbs slowly in the morning sky,
As marching feet move onward in its light—
Enthralled! I stand and fortify my soul,
Until the khaki forms fade from my sight.

Abruptly! as about face I do turn,
A vivid scene presents familiar hue:
In unity are nurses duty bound,
In caps of white and uniforms of blue.

Within the portals lie wounded—ill ;
I pause and comfort give—but for a while,
Endeavors of my heart have been fulfilled,
A pained, distorted face now breathes a smile.

The day passed quickly ; duties are complete,
And fruitful labor has enriched my soul,
In comfort, sleeping peacefully, are all
As silently, I take the evening roll.

The day is done—through weary, I return
And lay my tired body down to sleep,
While lost in grateful prayer to him above
The sound of taps into my room does creep

My quickened pulse, stirred by each note ;
Cease thoughts, enraptured filled ;
My blood chilled veins emancipate !
That peace tonight—God willed.

Capt. Doris Knights
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Dear Miss McCrae :

Thank you very much for your nice letter of October ninth which is just received. We all appreciate your interest in our Christmas, and remember with pleasure the candy you sent to us last year. However, this year we feel that we are much more fortunate than the folks at home, and I wish I could convince you that such is the case, so that you will not worry about our Christmas. We have our regular monthly rations at the Officers' Exchange of toilet articles, cigarettes, and candy. In addition, our mess is now excellent, and we are receiving many of the things which you are denied. For the last two weeks or so, we have had fresh butter at every meal : we have ice cream almost every day, and it's perfectly delicious—just as good as Brigham's. For Sunday Dinner we had roast turkey, baked potatoes, string beans, bread and butter, coffee, cherry pie and cheese. I'm perfectly sure we have more fresh beef and other meats than you have, raisins are not rationed with us, nor many other things on which you have to "scrimp." It is just like you to want to remember us, but we are the ones who wish there was a way to send to you.

Mother wrote me that the temperature in Bedford the first of this month was only eighteen above zero, and that they were having heavy white frosts. I do hope this winter will not be as severe as last, what with coal and oil being so scarce. We are extremely fortunate as far as our weather is concerned. The days are just cool enough to make the sun welcome, and as yet the rainy season has not begun.

All of the girls are having a chance to go away for five days to a delightful beach resort. We can spare seven at a time, and they are enjoying their vacations to the full with golfing, swimming, bicycling, tennis and seeing something of the country. They go to a quiet, beautiful hotel, have a good army mess there, and not a cent of expense to the individual. They've worked hard for seven months over here and they deserve the rest. I came back from my vacation last week, and feel like a new person.

We have very few pests now, only an occasional mosquito, and the flies are thinning out with the cooler weather. You mentioned the chlorinated water at Devens. We did have that when we first came, but now it is treated some other way, and is very pleasant to the taste. I can't begin to tell you what a comfortable, normal life

we lead in this modern city, and honestly if you send us a money order, I don't know how we would use it. I can only thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of us for your kindly interest which has been so constant, and for your deep loyalty to us.

Yes, we do often have "sprees" celebrating different occasions, and to-morrow night we are having a dance. Next Sunday one of our physical therapists is being married to an officer who was formerly a patient of ours: Edna Emerson has permission to marry an officer who was a childhood sweetheart: and Patricia Baker, the Red Cross worker is going to marry Captain Davenport. Sounds like a lot of romance, but we are still functioning as a hospital. Our patient census is rather lower than usual now, but we expect more soon.

With sincerest wishes for your health and contentment, I am,

Affectionately yours,

DORIS KNIGHTS.

Oct. 7th, 1943

Somewhere in India en route back to H. Q.

(Received October 20th, 1943 A.M.)

Dear Dad:

Here I am on the way back to headquarters for a new assignment. Winter coming on plus certain other military reasons closed the marvelous cantonment I have just been in, in the mountains. * * * Gorgeous mountains surround us with tropical palms and cacti, scrub-oak, eucalyptus trees—huge ones, mingled with large rhododendron trees and India pines, the needles of which are often as long as this paper, I've measured them.

* * * Then round a bend in the road we came upon 20 or 30 beautiful silver-grey, longish-haired monkeys with black faces and long tails. They were so enchanting we stopped to try and get a picture of them, and throw them bits of sandwiches but they were too quick for us.

* * * As I wrote you, this was supposed to be a Rest Camp where boys who'd been in combat or out in the heat of the plains and jungles could come for leave and a rest. Most of them, several hundred, had been over a year and many over 17 months without leave. Believe me they were glad of the freshness of the mountain air, free from heat and mosquitoes and where we had open fires every night.

Further up the hill, about a mile from our bungalow, was a

building about the size of my house, which once was a British Badminton Club. This was made into the American Red Cross Club, which had a piano and ping-pong table in one end of the room and about 24 small tables at the other, where boys come in from 10-12 every morning for coffee and doughnuts and 2-8 P.M. for hamburgers, French fried potatoes, coffee or tea, fried egg and tomato sandwiches and cakes. My how they did eat! We had a marvelous woman in charge of the canteen who produced these "delish" in between meals and English volunteers, wives of nearby British officers, acted as canteen workers and waitresses.

* * * It was our job to be ready for them and to encourage them to do things with us and keep away from the drinking, which is their first natural desire when they get to a rest place and let down.

Many had been in the Hospital with one thing or another before coming to us and believe me we fed and fattened them up. They also had some good shooting, the first lot I saw brought in a couple of large "cats," panthers and many a night we had delicious venison or mountain hen. The week before we left, one of the boys got a huge wild boar and he *was* good eating, also a porcupine. They are enormous over here, about 5-6 times the size of ours. Am enclosing a porky quill, you will see it's as long as this paper.

* * * One of the most interesting tales I have to tell you is about a Burmese nurse who was a volunteer from Rangoon in a British hospital. She and 23 other Burmese (convent brought up gentle ladies of Burma) had volunteered as nurses aides—later became regular nurses on the British staff and were the last to leave from a hospital which was up the river from Rangoon. The Japs came and these girls led the patients that could walk to Mandalay. On the way they met General Stilwell, then we all know how Mandalay was bombed and Stilwell's party divided in two. These girls and their patients came west and Stilwell's went north. All in all those who lived through it came over 2 thousand miles, 18 of these nurses got through. I got to know this girl very well and her story will turn your hair gray when I tell it to you. She has been out a good many months now but she still is as thin as a match stick.

* * * Well I'm nearing H. Q. now, it's a lovely day and I feel very important as I was lucky enough to get a ride in the General's private vehicle which happened to be going in my direction at about the time I needed to take off.

I forgot to tell you, or did I, about how tame the wild, tan monkeys were at camp! Fifty or more used to land on our copper roof and wake us up for breakfast. They were great fun and knew I'd saved em bits of stale bread and crackers. They'd race across

the roof squealing and fighting, peek over the drain, make faces at me and dive for tidbits and scramble back, yelling for more. They are short tailed devils with long faces, not nearly as pretty as Chico, but because of so many, were great fun; eight or ten had babies that would hang under their mummies' tummies or sit on their mummies' backs. One morning 4 of them came in and sat on the foot of my bed. The minute I ran out of food for them they'd scamper away.

Enclosed is a special souvenir given me by a friend, a piece of Jap parachute made of heavy silk. Note the date of the raid. I hope my next assignment will be China, but I'll write you.

(Bee) BETTY DUMAINE (1926).

IN APPRECIATION

*(Written by Sergt. Frank Day in a hospital in North Africa
"in appreciation" of Army Nurse Lieut. Hazel W. MacNiell
(1935) formerly of the Massachusetts General Hospital.*

You never see her on parade
Like WACS and WAVES and such,
She's much too busy working hard
To keep away death's touch.

For just behind that bloody line
Where soldiers fall and curse,
An angel waits to see you through,
A U. S. Army nurse.

The countless homelike things she does
Come only from the heart.
She's everything a soldier wants—
His mother, wife, sweetheart.

I won't forget her tender skill
From private Joe to Capt. Bill;
My thanks to you—I wish folks knew
The hell you've seen and waded through.
I'd like to tell the universe;
God bless you, keep you, Army nurse.

OCTOBER 16, 1943

The anniversaries of Ether Day now number ninety-seven. Observance of the occasion this year was again informal, but for many reasons it seemed to be especially enjoyed by the more than 400 persons who heard and saw all or part of the exercises in the Brick Corridor.

It was a Saturday, and the hour of eleven o'clock had been selected for the ceremonies. Those who came early (and all their successors to this date), gathered eagerly around the exhibitions of photographs of Hospital members now in military service. This included many of the 6th General Hospital, kindly lent by the wives of members. These were supplemented by the timely arrival of pictures of Colonel Churchill on a camel, Major Simeone on a donkey, and Lieutenant-Commander Hunter, Colonel Bauer, Major Thorndike, and many others in similarly interesting settings.

An important exhibit was a large world map. On this, many colored pins, tiny ships, and flags for units showed the widespread geographical areas in which MGH men, to the number of over 500, are or have been serving. The research for this information in the War Records, and the placing of the pins, a long and formidable task, was planned and accomplished by Mrs. Faxon.

Mementos of Ether Day were exhibited in the case presented to the Hospital by Dr. J. Collins Warren. Among these was a recent acquisition: A copy of the newly issued "Harper's Thirteenth Edition, Improved and Enlarged: *Lexicon Medicum; or Medical Dictionary* by Robert Hooper, M. D., F. L. S.," autographed and dated "May 3d, 1845, Dr. W. T. G. Morton," and with his pencilled notations under the entry on "Aether." This book was recently presented to Dr. Washburn by Mrs. William J. Morton; he has presented it to the Archives. It has been called to the attention of the Archives that this book, under this date of purchase, is among those listed by Morton in his statement to the Congress as evidence of his early research on anaesthesia.

Dr. Faxon opened the exercises with the following effective statement of the significance of Ether Day:

"Ninety-seven years ago today an event took place in this hospital that profoundly affected the entire world. On October 16, 1846, Dr. William T. G. Morton successfully administered ether vapor to produce unconsciousness in order that a surgical operation could be performed without pain. It was witnessed by many competent observers who were impressed—and convinced.

"Seldom has a scientific achievement been so spectacularly demonstrated. Galileo looking through his telescope, Leeuwenhoek through his microscope, Roentgen developing his photographic



Photograph—W. C. Lown

—ETHER DAY—

Left to right is Elspeth Campbell, Dr. Faxon, Mrs. David B. Arnold, Mr. John R. Macomber, Bishop Sherrill.

plate were all individual observers of epoch-making developments. But here was demonstrated, publicly and before a large and probably sceptical audience, one of the greatest discoveries of all time. Let us disregard the matter of priority of discovery; this demonstration marked the acceptance of its usefulness. Is there not something beyond mere chance that this, the first anesthetic, still remains the safest and most universal?

"This event has also profoundly influenced this hospital and those who work within it. It is well that we continue to remember it, and annually, by occasions such as this, recall it and use the remembrance to spur us on toward new conquests of disease."

Beside the "desk" from which Dr. Faxon spoke stood an American and a Hospital flag, new and handsome in glistening silk and gilt standard. The Hospital had, until this date, possessed no flags to be used for indoor ceremonies. This fact became known to the Ladies' Visiting Committee in arranging for Ether Day. The new flags were presented to the Hospital on behalf of the Ladies by Mrs. David B. Arnold, Chairman of the Committee, and were formally accepted by Mr. John R. Macomber.

Dr. Faxon then introduced Bishop Sherrill, who had consented to give Hospital listeners a brief account of his recent trip by air to Alaska and the Aleutian Islands. Those who have heard Bishop Sherrill on any occasion will know that his account was both enjoyable and significant. What he said was of special interest at this time, but he spoke extemporaneously and no record is at hand.

While coffee and doughnuts were circulating, Mr. Lown showed colored movies of the 6th General Hospital and those of the recent 6th G. H. picnic. Later, through the courtesy of Mrs. John B. McKittrick, films showing activities of the 6th General at Camp Blanding were shown in the Ether Dome, and the Day closed there with the Ether Film.

—THE NEWS.

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In July 1917, Base Hospital No. 6 landed in Liverpool, made its way to Southampton and boarded the Australian hospital ship "Warilda," in which to cross the Channel. Base Hospital No. 17, the unit of the Harper Hospital in Detroit, crossed on the same ship at the same time. This was a pleasant contact that stands out in the memory of many in both units.

The fact is mentioned now because the Harper Hospital unit

of this war, the 17th General Hospital, landed recently in Africa and found itself in the same town as the 6th General Hospital. Their contact there was but temporary, as the 17th General Hospital soon moved on, but word has come that they were happy to find "a friend at port."

The Harper Hospital provides another pleasant comment on an MGH coincidence on this continent. The following paragraphs are quoted from a recent letter to Dr. Plinn F. Morse, Pathologist of that hospital, written to him by Col. William H. Gordon, MC, USA, from Borden General Hospital at Chickasha, Okla., on September 29:

I am enclosing to you the "Clinico-pathological Conference" sent me from the Eighth Service Command for use at this post. After each case had been presented and discussed, the final diagnosis and discussion made at the Massachusetts General Hospital was presented.

Colonel Walter Bauer, Medical Consultant at the Eighth Service Command, has arranged this further medical education for all the hospitals and physicians in this command. He has secured a grant of money from the Rockefeller Foundation which also pays for visits by professors from different schools to each of the hospitals in this command. Last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dr. Chester Jones from Harvard was here.

For your information Colonel Walter Bauer was born in Crystal Falls, Michigan, is a graduate of the University of Michigan Medical School in 1922, and is a professor in the Medical Department of Harvard University.

As a preliminary to his address to the 6th General Hospital on September 1, 1943, Colonel Thomas R. Goethals, its Commanding Officer, made the following remarks:

This day marks the first anniversary and second celebration of Hospital Day. One year ago we were in training for our mission. Today finds us in our overseas station after more than six months of service in the role for which we were organized. It will be my pleasure to review briefly the record of the year elapsed, to comment upon the work accomplished, to compare our history with that of our ancestor, Base Hospital No. 6, in its initial phases, and to cast a speculative glance toward the future.

Colonel Goethals then drew an interesting comparison between the experiences of the two World War units of the Massachusetts General Hospital: the first arriving at Bordeaux on July 28, 1917

and soon taking over the *Petit Lycée de Talence* just outside the city, to set about adapting and enlarging it to meet military needs; the second acquiring similar school plants at a base in North Africa, upon its arrival there on February 20, 1943, to meet the same requirements.

Both units faced problems so similar that after recounting those of the earlier Base Hospital No. 6 as recorded in Col. F. A. Washburn's words, Colonel Goethals had merely to paraphrase these to describe the experiences of the 6th General Hospital. He then presented facts and figures as to the active operation of the present unit, from the arrival of its first patient on February 27 to their wholesale receipt on March 8, the steady expansion of the Hospital thereafter until the opening of its last ward on April 18, and the later establishment of a Convalescent Camp. We lack space to reprint his address—even as received, with every figure and identification blotted out by the Censor! (None other than the C. O. himself!)

Colonel Goethals completed his account with particulars about the work of the professional and administrative sections of the unit. It will surprise no one that his report for each expressed only commendation, not for the heads of the sections or for individuals but for every section and member of the 6th General Hospital. Nor will anyone doubt that the unit returns a like commendation to its Commanding Officer.

On October 13, Colonel Goethals wrote to Dr. Faxon as to matters medical, military, and mundane with the Unit. His letter is quoted in part:

The 6th General Hospital baseball team, otherwise known as the Yankees, after winning the base section championship and a series against the league leaders in the neighboring base section, went to Algiers some ten days ago and annexed the North African championship in two straight games. The team received a trophy, suitably inscribed, and each player a baseball autographed by the Commanding General. Major Parker and I were granted a short period of detached service to accompany the team and, with Miss Knights, who was in Algiers for a conference of nurses, formed a small but enthusiastic rooting section.

During the trip I saw Churchill, John Stewart and Simeone, while Miss Knights saw Henry Beecher for a short time. We also saw Holland and Sturgis, who have been making the rounds of forward installations to investigate maxillo-facial surgery. Townsend returned to duty last month after about nine weeks' investiga-

tion of the problems of convalescence in forward areas. Ludwig is on temporary detached service at a station hospital designated for the reception and treatment of neuropsychiatric cases.

During the past two months promotions have come through for Captains Cantlon, Ellis, Burrage, Harrison, McGahey, Lawrence, and Bailey, and for 1st Lieutenants Cogswell, Hollister, and Smith of the Nursing Service. We learn also that John McKittrick, transferred from us in June has received his Captaincy.

Housekeeping for the hospital family has become well stabilized. Despite shortages in certain items of supply, we continue in a healthy state of equipment—and our hospital mess is second to none. Gradually the weather has cooled and the temperature now is about like that of our ideal New England September. Rains are due the end of this month, and necessary plans are being carried out for roof repairs and interior heating to combat both wet and cold.

We remain in a state of more or less suspended animation, but all professional services remain comfortably busy, despite the slack tide of admissions and dispositions. We have accumulated a sizable backlog of patients ready for the Zone of the Interior, for whom the prolonged period of waiting for transportation to the States has been very trying.

That's about the overall picture of our most recent doings. I doubt that any of us are imbued with the War-over-before-Christmas delusion, for there's still a long way to go. However, in one small way we are doing our part along with the rest of the crowd, and are not worried as to the final outcome.

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NEW SHIPWRECK DIET

Ten specially prepared butterscotch caramels and a pint of water every day constitute an adequate life-sustaining diet for a shipwrecked man, according to results of scientific studies made recently at Massachusetts General Hospital.

That simplified diet is regarded by the doctors conducting the studies as eminently more practical, digestible and life-sustaining under conditions of a limited water supply than the standard life-boat ration of chocolate, condensed milk, crackers, malted milk tablets and canned meat.

Behind that seemingly paradoxical discovery was a year of experimentation and study made possible by the voluntary co-operation of five conscientious objectors with members of the hospital staff.

—*Boston Herald.*

BOSTON SURGEON FIGHTS RISE OF WOUND GANGRENES IN ITALY

Maj. Fiorindo A. Simeone of Boston, associate professor of surgery at Harvard and staff member of the Massachusetts General Hospital, is a leading figure in the fight against gangrene infections among the American soldiers in Italy.

Because the best possible surgery and the use of sulfa drugs have failed to produce more than 21 per cent of recoveries in recently investigated cases, the Army Medical Corps in Italy is co-ordinating preventive measures and increasing instruction in the detection of infection.

Maj. Simeone, a graduate of Harvard Medical School in 1934, is an authority on the subject, and points out that "the terrain on which we are now fighting, and especially the quantity of mud produced by the current rains, are tossing new problems in our laps, for gangrene always increases under these circumstances."

A new field laboratory has been established in Italy for the development of a more efficient serum to combat both known forms of gangrene. In desert fighting only three men in 1000 developed infection; in Italy the rate is now 20 out of 1000.

Maj. Simeone formerly resided at 721 Huntington avenue. He held a neurological fellowship at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital for two years.

—*Boston Herald.*

Marriages

Mary Atkins Nickerson (1943) to George Pearson Marble, U.S.C.G. on July 5, 1943, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Alexandria Passios (1942) to Mr. Lyman A. Ripperton of Austin, Texas, on August 18, 1943, at Dwight Chapel, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

Josephine Elizabeth Eccles (1937) to Dr. Carlton Holmes Miner, Lt., U.S.N.R. in Ventura, California on August 23, 1943.

Irene F. Smith (1936) to Lt. Fred Coolege, U.S.N.R. on August 31, 1943, at Honolulu, Hawaii.

Barbara Campbell (1941) to Pvt. Philip Richard Desmond, U.S.A. on September 6, 1943 in Pawcatuck, Connecticut.

Gretchen Priscilla Miller to Mr. Phillips N. Case on October 9, 1943, at Longmeadow, Massachusetts.

Mary Alden Cole to Mr. Richard Brooks Stetson on Sunday, October 10, 1943, at West Medway, Massachusetts.

Lt. Yvonne Marguerite Goethel (1939) to Sgt. Adolph Henry Ciesluk of Worcester, Massachusetts, on November 21, 1943, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Kelsey (Phyllis I. Wilbur 1939), announce the birth of a son, Richard Cooper, Jr., on July 22, 1943, at the Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Cary (Florence R. Perry, 1937) announce the birth of their second daughter, Nancy Elizabeth, on September 10, 1943, at the Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut.

Lt. and Mrs. R. N. Peardon Donaghy (Frances M. Smith, 1936) announce the birth of a son, Peardon, on October 3, 1943, at Oyster Harbors, Osterville, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle L. Lusk (Madeline M. Young, 1924) announce the birth of a daughter, Myra Sands, on October 6, 1943, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lyng-In.

Lt. and Mrs. O. J. Severud (Herta P. Schneppershoff, 1932)

announce the birth of a daughter, Karen Louise, on October 12, 1943, in Bogota, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gannon (Edith D. Weierich, 1931) announce the birth of a daughter, Diane, on November 10, 1943, at the Baker Memorial of the M.G.H.

Major and Mrs. Joseph Patrick Donohue (Lucille Theroux, 1938) announce the birth of their second son, Michael Francis, on November 17, 1943, at the Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. William Henry (Alma Swier, 1931) announce the birth of a son on November 30, 1943, at the Baker Memorial of the M. G. H.

M. G. H. Caps

Purchase from Miss Eunice Bradstreet, 427 East High St., Manchester, N. H. Mail order 6 for \$2.30. 3 for \$1.25, postpaid. Caps may also be purchased from Miss Hannah M. Wood, 423 East 64th Street, Apt. 47, 2nd Stairway, New York City.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.

2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

6. For the Loan Fund to Miss Katherine Pierce, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

GEORGE ADAMS LELAND, JR.

May 19, 1886—September 22, 1943.

Four of us came together in the dissecting room in 1907, went through Harvard Medical School, then to the M. G. H. on various services, overseas with Base Hospital No. 6, and afterwards produced her history.

It was through these years of association that we were fortunate in knowing Adams. Always an independent thinker, he had his own system of work, which in the medical school was to go to sleep after dinner, and then when every one else was ready to go to bed, he would come to and go to work. He was uncompromisingly thorough, and nothing was ever allowed to interfere with his job. At this time, he and I lived not far apart and often walked out to exams together. We always knew that we couldn't pass—there was so much we didn't know—but we never worried.

Adams and I were on the district together in the days of good old McLean Street, and I shall always remember the scrupulous accuracy of his technique which became so characteristic of his work throughout his life.

After graduation in 1911, he became H.O. on West Surgical at the M. G. H., and then Resident Surgeon for three years, determined to squeeze every possible bit of knowledge and experience out of it. He never appeared in a hurry, was never impatient, and was always ready to discuss a problem in the greatest detail. His sense of humor often took the form of withering sarcasm, but any one who could give him as good as he got was his friend forever. His devotion to his patients knew no limits, and they responded in kind. He was not only a good surgeon but a sound medical man.

Base Hospital No. 6 settled in Bordeaux and after some early growing pains and reshuffling of personnel, Adams became Company Commander. The men never knew what a good job he did for them, as they didn't understand his sense of humor, but his successor had good reason to recognize and appreciate it. Then when our C. O. and adjutant left us, Adams took over the adjutant's office which he held practically for the duration. It was here that he really shone—and it was he who, with his eternal vigilance and unflin-

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understanding, held that unit together in the face of shattering influences. Those of us who had a chance to watch him in action during this time, learned to know him as few others ever could. He was at his desk from early morning till late at night. Nothing went on in the hospital that he didn't know about—at least nothing worth reporting. His ability to attend to the most meticulous details was never more apparent. He was untiring and unfailing. There are many tales that could be told of those days, including one of a spittoon which had been removed when he was acting C. O. and later was not where it was expected to be.

Since the war, he had carried on the pattern already set, in addition to the M. G. H., did much work at the Collis P. Huntington Hospital, the Palmer Memorial, and in Gloucester.

He and Letitia G. Brookins were married on May 6, 1916, and their only child, Letitia Adams, was born on October 31, 1920.

In the last three years of his life, he deliberately chose to carry on normally, rather than as an invalid. To the last moment, he was unsparing of himself.

G. C.

—THE NEWS.

KARLTON GOODSELL PERCY, M.D.

On November 15, while returning from a brief hunting trip near his home, Dr. Karlton G. Percy, of Chestnut Hill, Mass., was instantly killed by the accidental discharge of his shotgun as he stumbled over a half-sunken wire.

Dr. Percy was a graduate of Yale, and received the M.D. degree *cum laude* from the Harvard Medical School in 1911. During the following year he served his internship at the Massachusetts General Hospital as a house officer on the East Medical Service. He was a member of the staff of the Children's Hospital for a few years and later served on the services of several suburban hospitals. Dr. Percy had a large practice as a pediatrician, and was well known and highly regarded here.

—THE NEWS.

In Memoriam

MRS. CHARLES STORROW

Mrs. Charles Storrow (Mary A. Kelley 1887) died at the Hotel Vendome on October 26, 1943.

HARRY FAIRBANKS HARTWELL

Dr. Hartwell former surgical pathologist for the M. G. H. died at the Waltham Hospital on December 7, 1943. Two sons survive: Lt. Joseph B. Hartwell, U.S.N., and Capt. Mead Hartwell, U.S.A.

NEWS

Minnie S. Hollingsworth (1897), who spent several months with old friends in Peterboro, New Hampshire and Salem, Massachusetts, attended the first Alumnae meeting of the season, and visited the hospital before returning to her home in Hendersonville, North Carolina on November thirtieth. Miss Hollingsworth is still full of vim and vigor.

Margaret Dieter (1916), President of the Massachusetts State Nurses' Association, conducted the memorial services for Miss Emma M. Nichols and Miss Marietta D. Barnaby at the Fortieth Annual Meeting, held at the Hotel Statler on November 5, 1943.

Lt. Ermine E. Conza (1920) is with the Station Hospital at Camp Joseph T. Robinson in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bentley Laird (Harriet Octavia Harris, 1928) and children, "Happy," fourteen years and "Billy," eleven years, have moved to Phillips Road, Holden, Massachusetts. Mr. Laird is President of the New England Envelope Company in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Sumner Coleman (Helen K. Judd, 1916) of Easthampton, Massachusetts, was recently a patient on the third deck of the Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Massachusetts. Her son Robert has passed his eighteenth birthday and hopes to be inducted into the Navy.

Mrs. James G. Clarke (Emma W. Millin, 1910) who has covered the School of Nursing office two days each week for the past year, will spend the winter at the Santa Rita Hotel, Tucson, Arizona.

Friends of Mr. Joseph Godsoe and Mr. Erick Frankson will be glad to hear they are gaining in health after several weeks absence from their hospital duties.

The genial hospital photographer, Mr. Wilbour C. Lown, is now a Lieutenant in the M.C.H.V.(S) U.S.N.R. On November 1, 1943, he reported at the National Medical Center at Bethesda, Maryland, to do medical movies. Dr. J. S. Barr (1929) is his commander in chief.

Mrs. Charles Warren (Lois A. Whitteker, 1915) of Amesbury, Massachusetts, spent several days in October with her son Charles, who was a patient at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. In September he graduated from Rensselaer Poly-

technic Institute where he specialized in aeronautics. A daughter, Arleine, is a student at the "House in the Pines," Norton, Massachusetts. Mrs. Warren's hobby is stencilling in gold leaf on antique chairs and trays.

Marion Benyon (1941), Lt. A.N.C., is a member of the Sixteenth General Hospital stationed in London, England.

Frances C. Daily (1907) has returned to her home in Plattsburg, New York, after relieving in the Baker Admitting Office from August to November.

In November, Mrs. James Murry Gallison (Mae B. Kells, 1909) announced the engagement of her daughter, Martha Gallison, to Mr. John Platt Hubbell, Jr., U.S.N.R., of Garden City, Long Island. Mr. Hubbell is now in his last year at the Harvard Medical School.

Mrs. John B. Baurlein (Ethel W. Dudley, 1915) has returned to her duties as Anesthetist and X-ray technician at the Cambridge Hospital, after a month's leave of absence. Mrs. Baurlein spent most of the time at her home in Littleton, Massachusetts.

The Domestic Building, with its stairways leading from the Brick Corridor, has begun a new and different period of usefulness. First of all, a small electric elevator saves many steps. The fifth floor has been made over into a large class room, with seats for more than one hundred people. Adjoining this, is a ten-bed nursing practice room, fully equipped. This room has been used in the evenings, as well as days, for the classes of Red Cross nurses' aides and for men volunteers, who are given a short series of demonstrations before starting as evening orderlies. The fourth floor is still used as living quarters for workers in the laundry, kitchen and main hospital. The Huntington Memorial Laboratory, with Dr. Aub in charge, is located on the third floor, as is the print shop. The second floor is shared by the Occupational Therapy and Physio-Therapy departments. The main floor is unchanged; the store and apothecary are in their familiar places. Returning alumnae will be surprised and pleased at the greater use which is being made of the building, after the dining-rooms and kitchens were moved to the White Building.

During the past year, the housing problem has grown with the increasing number of students and affiliates. In September, members of the new class overflowed the Charles Street and Thayer Homes; some are living on the sixth floor of Baker, a few are at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Residence. The hospital has pur-

chased another section of the Parkman Street group of buildings, and these rooms will be opened for nurses in a few weeks.

Mary F. Reardon (1940), graduated from the Army Air Forces School of Air Evacuation as a Flight Nurse on October first; "I am now privileged to wear the gold Flight Nurses' Wings." She continues, "Once we are overseas, we will take care of wounded men in our flying ambulances, large transport planes. We each have a staff sergeant, whom we have trained, to assist us on these trips and during flight the one nurse on the plane has complete charge of the patients." She wrote from Bowman Field, Kentucky.

Thelma Ingles (1936) is now Educational Director at the University Hospital in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Verna S. Dunlop (1926), is working in a very busy doctor's office in Liverpool, Nova Scotia. We extend our sympathy to her in the recent death of her father.

The members of the September section of the class of 1943 have nearly all graduated; our most recent information about this group places them as follows: at the General Hospital 13; Baker Memorial 5; Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary 2; Public Health 4; Teaching 2; 21 are at home or with their husbands or waiting to go into service. The figures change daily however, and many who are here today may be in service when this news gets into print.

Barbara Marien Parsons (1943) new address is African Orient Division, Pan-American Airways, Box 1351, Miami, Florida.

As the days pass "The Chapel" of the Massachusetts General Hospital grows in beauty and in reverence. Recently Dr. Faxon had inscribed in gold leaf on the swinging doors these words: "Whoever will may enter here." The Chapel is at its loveliest on the hours before sunset when the afternoon sun shines through the stained glass windows and casts jeweled colors on the wall and altar. The organ is heard on some week days between twelve and one and on Sunday evening at seven o'clock there is a service of organ music and hymn singing directed by Mrs. Helen Cushing, hostess at the Baker Memorial. All the members of the great hospital family, workers, patients, and friends, are invited to participate.

A most interesting round robin letter came to Miss Johnson from a group of nurses in India; the occasion for the special gath-

ering was a visit from Betty Dumaine and dinner with her at a friend's apartment. Those who wrote were: L. Gladys Farren 1934, B. MacMillan—McLean, Rita McKeane 1936, Alice M. Yancey 1941, Ruth Horton 1941 and Isabel Demmon 1940, a graduate of the Burbank Hospital, Fitchburg, where Grace E. Gummo (1920) is director of the school.

Eugenie DeArmit (1934) is one of four nurses loaned by the Boston Visiting Nurse Association to the National Nursing Council for War Service for the recruitment of college graduates for schools of nursing.

Marguerite Dunn (1928) is clinic nurse at the Holtzer-Cabot Company in Boston.

Dorothy Richardson (1936) employed by a defense plant in Chelsea, Massachusetts, has started a health clinic for the workers. She has picked out all the equipment, etc., for the new unit and is in charge of this service.

Mary Foster (1929) is Director of the Clearing Bureau of the United States Public Health Service, with headquarters in New York City. She answers the inquiries about the Nurses' Cadet Corps and the hundreds of other matters pertaining to the recruiting and placement of student nurses. When the radio refers young women to "Box 88, New York City," it is Miss Foster who collects the mail from that box.

Jessie Stewart (1935) is medical supervisor in charge of the East Bulfinch and the newly painted Ward G.

Helen McCaskill (1919) has resigned as Executive Assistant at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. Miss McCaskill is in Montreal, caring for her aged aunt.

Sympathy is extended to Helen Daly (1922) on the death of her father in October. She is spending a few weeks with her mother in Canada.

Louise S. Zutter (1913) and her parents have returned to their city home after spending five and a half months in their cottage at Scituate, Massachusetts.

Florence Colby (1910) has recently received a letter from Lt. Dorothy E. Stoney (1929), who was a member of General Hospital No. 4 in Australia. Lt. Stoney is now with the Brooks General Hospital, Ft. Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

Hendrika A. Vanderschurr (1934), charge nurse of the Emergency Ward for the past two years, is out on sick leave.

Paul Jones, Jr., son of Edna Harrison Jones (1910) was graduated from Dartmouth College in October, and leaves shortly to take up his duties with the Lockheed Company in Burbank, California.

Virginia E. Woodruff (1933), has accepted the position of resident nurse at the Mary Wheeler School, Providence, Rhode Island.

Mrs. John H. Mills (Louise Hull, 1931) visited the M. G. H. recently. Her friends will be interested to know that she relieved for summer vacations with the Community Health Association in Rockport this past summer.

Sara M. Glass (1911) has just returned from South Carolina, where she has been caring for a former patient.

Marguerite E. Dunn (1928) has resigned as Chairman of the private duty nurses' unit and is now doing industrial nursing in Boston, Massachusetts.

Lena G. Mackay (1905) is spending the Christmas holidays in Nova Scotia.

Mary E. Hemenway (1927) recently visited friends at the M. H. G.

Friends of Lois W. Hackett (1933) are pleased to see her back on duty, recovered from virus pneumonia.

Barbara M. Edward (1942) has resigned from the staff of the Phillips House operating room.

Wanda M. Acorn (1931) is now a school nurse in the city of Boston.

Mrs. Ada Pratt (Ada Brown, 1924) is doing industrial nursing with the Lynn General Electric.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hackett (Lois L. Beech, 1934) and small son are living in Lima, Peru, where Mr. Hackett is radio operator for the Pan-American Airways.

Mildred I. Taylor (1923) has resigned as Superintendent of the North Adams Hospital, North Adams, Massachusetts, and is now living in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Frank Hoyt Barter (Glee Marshall, 1914) and youngest son, Marshall, are spending the winter in Tucson, Arizona, in hopes that the boy may be cured of sinusitis. Her present address is 1810 East Mabel Street.

Eileen C. Glynn (1936) is serving in the obstetrical department of the Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Massachusetts.

Mrs. C. Pierson Leonard (Helen Ferree, 1922) is at home with her parents in Middletown, Connecticut. All her spare moments are spent in knitting socks for the Merchant Marine and English Speaking Union. Mr. Leonard is still in Calcutta, India.

The School of Nursing office is now boasting of a new wall electric clock.

Elizabeth I. Hansen (1915) is night supervisor at the Brockton Hospital, Brockton Massachusetts.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. John Blair Fitts (Marion E. Mantius, 1917) on the death of her husband Dr. John Blair Fitts, August 19, 1943. Dr. Fitts was Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at the Medical College in Richmond, Virginia. His death was caused by leukemia.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Mark H. Rogers (Emily F. Ross, 1904) for the death of her son, Carl Rogers, in an airplane crash in England while on a confidential mission for the United States government last October. He left a widow and three children.

Sylvia Helen Manninen (1941) and Josephine Ferrara (1942) received from Simmons College in September, Certificates in Public Health Nursing. They attended the summer session.

Margaret Matheson (1912) sent this interesting clipping from the *New York World Telegram* of October twenty-first: *My Day*, by Eleanor Roosevelt: . . . "Yesterday, I spent most of the day at Halloran Hospital on Staten Island, and was thrilled to have an opportunity to see what penicillin can do for our men. Dr. Lyons, who is in charge of this work there, and the nurses who have come with him from Massachusetts General Hospital, must all feel not only the excitement of a new adventure, but the satisfaction of extraordinary achievement. I saw the Red Cross work, which seems to be going on very actively, particularly in the craft work in the wards and in the craft shop. I spoke for a few minutes with the ambulatory patients in the Red Cross building, and with some of the nurses and doctors at lunch."

We salute Miss Caroline L. Anderson (1881) who observed her 100th birthday on December 1, 1943 in the Old Ladies' Home, Fletcher Street, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Around the first of November, Mrs. George C. Edward (Dorothea J. MacInnis, 1915), and her daughters, Elizabeth and

Jean, received official word that anxiety was felt over the belated arrival of Capt. Edward and his ship en route to Australia. He was last heard from on October fifteenth when an S.O.S. message was received from his ship. Capt. Edward was looking forward to a reunion with his mother and a visit to his home. We hope that he has made port and news of his safety will soon be received.

News has been received of the sudden death of Miss Martha J. Avard in Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, on December 2, 1943. Miss Avard was connected with the Addison Gilbert Hospital in Gloucester, Massachusetts, for twenty-five years. Many M. G. H. graduates worked with her, and she took an active interest in all the State meetings.

Friends of Mary A. Walsh (1910), nurse at the Sockanossett School for boys in Howard, Rhode Island for many years, send her greetings and hope she will have a winter of good health.

On November 9, 1943, Major-General W. H. Ogilvie of the British Army Medical Service, conferred Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons on Dr. Robert B. Osgood, formerly professor of orthopedics at Harvard.

A program of occupational therapy for soldier patients is to be instituted in the reconditioning division of the Surgeon General's office, the War Department has announced. Mrs. Winifred V. Conrick Kahmann will supervise the 70 senior aides and 245 aides whom the Medical Department will employ through the Civil Service Commission. Mrs. Kahmann is a sister of Catherine Conrick Tucker (class of 1913) and Ellen Conrick Gallagher (class of 1916).

Lt. Constance E. Bourne (1939) wearing three Campaign ribbons, is back in the United States after circling the globe. She has travelled the length and breadth of India, and came home on a four motored Pan-American luxury plane with patients and civilians. Lt. Bourne is now stationed at the Ream General Hospital in Palm Beach, Florida, and is looking forward to her medical leave, hoping to visit the M. G. H. Major Joshua C. Drooker (M.E.E.I. 1939) also stationed at the Ream General Hospital, called on Lt. Bourne and had a pleasant chat about hospital days and old friends.

Miss Mary L. McKenna (1896) of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, has been a patient at the Baker Memorial, and later renewed acquaintances with some of her old Boston friends who enjoyed the reunion.

Christina H. MacDonald (1914) private duty nurse, is spending the holiday season at her home in Bayhead, Nova Scotia.

R. B. McKee (W.O. 1) nephew of Mrs. Fred Thompson (Margaret Marr 1913) and wireless operator on a bomber, spent two weeks in Boston as guest of the Misses Flora and Mary Inglis, 52 Garden Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mr. McKee whose home is in British Columbia has been in service for over three years and is at present stationed in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Kathleen Parks (1917) who is an acting assistant in the Nursing Office at the Ravenswood Hospital in Chicago, writes with pride of the brilliant program being carried out by Marguerite Claire Dreschel (1937). Miss Dreschel has been educational director at the Ravenswood School of Nursing since 1939.

The following M. G. H. nurses are working at the American Red Cross Blood Donor Center, 485 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts: Marion Decker (1937), Clara Willard Fisher (1919), Allie Harkonen (1924), Margaret Hamilton (1929), Ruth McCracken Newton (1936), Marion MacClellan Orchard (1935), Katherine Shealey (1931).

Mrs. John B. Hazard (Etta M. Holly 1931), visited the hospital soon after her arrival in New York on the "Gripsholm." We await with interest a full report of her trip.

Lt. Blanche B. Haley (1930) has sent from North Africa to Miss McCrae, an original and attractive Christmas card painted with white shoe polish and crayon.

Rose Marie Scalora (1942) has resigned as head nurse of the Isolation ward at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and accepted a similar position in the White Building of the M. G. H. Miss Jean Marie Roberts (1943) is in charge of Gardner Ward, succeeding Miss Scalora.

Many M. G. H. graduates will be interested to hear that Miss Mary Hayden, charge nurse of the Aural Clinic, O.P.D. for the past twenty years, is enjoying a leave of absence from her arduous duties. Miss Hayden was in active service in France during World War I. She has given faithful, loyal service, and deserves a rest. Mary Frances Malone (1943) is in charge during Miss Hayden's absence.

Helen J. Hinckley (1913), Executive Assistant at the Baker Memorial, who has been on sick leave, is now recuperating at her sister's home in Winchester, Massachusetts.

Eileen M. Gilmartin (1929) returned to her duties as Instructor of nurses at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary on November 15, 1943. Miss Gilmartin has been nursing a fractured left ankle. She met with the accident while seeing "So Proudly We Hail."

Ruth W. Hale (1932) has resigned as Supervisor in the School of Nursing Office of the Baker Memorial. Marion Bates (1934) succeeds Miss Hale.

The many friends of Capt. Kathleen H. Atto, A.N.C., were pleased to welcome her at the Fortieth Annual meeting of the Mass. State Nurses' Association held at the Hotel Statler on November 5, 1943. Capt. Atto is in the Surgeon General's Office, Washington, D.C. Her address is: The Meridian Hill, 16th and Euclid, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Last summer Mertie N. Kinney (1902) of 29 Torry Street, South Weymouth, Massachusetts, visited her friend and classmate Mrs. Fred M. Young (Addie Wilson 1902), at her home, Orchard Cliff Farm, St. Stephen, N.B. They spent many delightful hours together, recalling their training school days and noting the many changes since 1902. Mrs. Young's son is a lieutenant in the Army and she has a daughter living at home.

Dr. and Mrs. Gerardo M. Balboni (Lillian Dobie 1910), have been entertaining their son Capt. Victor G. Balboni, U.S.M.C., who returned after sixteen months in Greenland. He is now with the Station Hospital at Fort Jay, Governor's Island, New York. Albert Balboni, Lt. (j.g.) is on a sub chaser in the South Pacific.

Ensign Rita F. Rein (1934) is now on active duty in the Navy and stationed at the U. S. Naval Hospital, St. Albans, Long Island.

R. Jean McGaughey (1929) was elected Vice-President of the New England Association of Industrial Nurses at its fall meeting.

Mrs. Frank A. Johnson (Nancy Forbes 1934) left Boston on November 11th to join her husband in Venezuela, where she expects to make her home for the next two years.

Mrs. Hugh L. Robinson (Olga Olsen 1915) was in New York when the "Gripsholm" made port, to welcome her husband Dr. Hugh L. Robinson who has been interned in Manila for two years and given great service.

Lt. Christine H. Moore (1929), now with the 54th Station Hospital writes that she is busy in a two hundred and fifty bed hospital.

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Nurses of the Hospital Unit on parade, Armistice Day in North Africa, 1943
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Others who may be identified are: Lieutenants Wilcox, Fraser, Hewitt,
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GRADUATION

Relatives and friends of the Graduating Class filled the Rotunda of the Mosley Memorial building on the evening of February 9, 1944. William A. Neilson, President Emeritus of Smith College, gave the address. Rt. Reverend Henry Knox Sherrill, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided. Of the ninety-three members in the Class, forty-five wore for the first time, the insignia of the Cadet Nurse Corps. Of these, thirty-six were senior student Red Cross members.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Graduation Exercises

FEBRUARY 9, 1944

Although the year just closed has been a difficult one, I am determined that this report of the year shall not be a lament. You know that our greatest difficulty has been lack of personnel. You will realize the extent of the difficulty when I state that today our graduate nurse census is short 164 or 43 per cent, orderly census 22 or 20 per cent, and ward helper 54 or 52 per cent. This is a total shortage of 240 workers in the three groups who are responsible for the nursing care of the patients. The comparatively small shortage of orderlies is partly due to the fact that men can work here for a few hours in addition to their regular jobs. It is because we were caring for the sick, *for whom, not by whom*, adjustments should be made, that we found these shortages hard to bear.

It has been necessary for some hospitals to close floors because of a shortage of nurses. Several times last year we of the Nursing Department were on the verge of asking this Hospital to close a floor. We made but one such request, namely, to close the convalescent ward. Baker Memorial 6, following its summer house cleaning, was not reopened that we might house students there. During the fall the census of the General Hospital was lower than usual. These factors were on the credit side of our nursing service ledger. Nevertheless, we often wondered where we could find the nursing staff for the next day. This was our state until about December 15, when we began to realize nursing service from our July class. We soon accepted the fact that the majority of our other workers were to be part time and that we must proceed to make an extended search for them. This we did. During the year 102 different graduate nurses worked part time in the General Hospital; 16 per cent of this service was volunteer. It is an interesting fact that the total number of hours of these 102 nurses

equalled that of only 6 full-time nurses. Five alumnae of the School, on a volunteer basis, and Miss Gertrude Stevens, who has been a volunteer in the various departments of this Hospital for thirty years, have been hostesses and clerical workers in the Nursing Office, covering six days a week. We appealed to the Red Cross for more Volunteer Nurses' Aides. Many hospitals were making similar appeals. Therefore, the only fair thing for us to do was to state the relative urgency of our needs.

We need men workers. The Emergency Ward, Psychiatric Ward, and Operating Room must be supplied first. This often leaves four orderlies for the day, and two for the night to serve the regular wards of the General Hospital, which has beds for 200 male patients. We renewed our appeal to the Hospital Volunteer Service Bureau for men volunteers. Many of those who responded were from church and college groups or from insurance, fraternal, and industrial organizations. There were many individual volunteers. Seven evening groups, each coming once a week, did practically all of our evening orderly work. A short course of instruction was given to 75 men. There has been no greater single contribution of personal service than that of Mr. Osborne Perry, who has assumed the responsibility of directing these men.

In April a branch of the Hospital War Service, volunteers who do, among other things, the endless errands and the time-consuming discharge of patients, began work in the Baker Memorial, the Department for People of Moderate Means. In June another group who work more directly with the patients began evening work there. They are recruited largely from the business offices downtown. In March the Red Cross Aides extended their work to the Baker Memorial.

Last summer the Hospital established a policy which gave another tangible evidence of its appreciation of the contribution made by these various groups of volunteers, namely, providing a meal for those who worked a minimum of four hours a day. The average number of volunteers served one meal each weekday was 33. A single meal is not a matter of great expense, but having it at the Hospital is a matter of great convenience.

There is another group of workers who have come to help us with our ward housekeeping. They are from homes like yours and mine. The first group came from Lexington, and the students call them the "Lexington Minute Women." They usually work four or eight hours a week. A dignified uniform is provided, and they are paid a sum that is today sometimes called "token compensation." This sum just about meets the cost of transportation, laundry of uniform, one meal, or perhaps of the high school girl who stays with the children at home. These workers sweep or dust what seem

to be square miles of horizontal services in this hospital: floors, window sills, beds, bedside tables, desks, utility room shelves and equipment, chart racks, cupboards, ad infinitum. Here, too, we need men with mops to follow these women with their brooms. I am sure there are men whose present day home practice or K. P. duty in World War I qualifies them for this service. And I repeat, that these "Minute Women" come from homes like yours and mine.

I am speaking at length on the subject of volunteer and part-time workers. Well I may. It is often they who make it possible for our students to find the time to give the more complicated nursing care and to attend the classes where they are taught how to give this care. Twice last year the volunteers, and they alone, determined whether or not a floor of 37 beds at the Baker Memorial would be closed. It could remain open only on condition that student nurses could be transferred there from the General Hospital. They could not be transferred unless Red Cross Aides could be found to help replace the students in the General. The floor remained open.

While we constantly sought persons to help carry the nursing load, we were also constantly seeking ways and means for lessening that load. We studied the school curriculum to eliminate overlapping, the non-essentials, and the obsolete. We added equipment, simplified procedures, and reduced the number of treatments, when safe to do so. Considerable impetus to the war time campaign to eliminate unnecessary medical orders was given by the House Officer, who, in an absent-minded moment ordered blood pressure to be taken every fifteen minutes on a patient whose operation was the removal of a mole from the surface of the abdomen.

As you listen you may wonder what the regular staff finds to do when we have many volunteers and other part-time workers. For obvious reasons each can give only a small number of hours of service per week, perhaps an average of 8, while the full-time worker gives 48 hours per week. It follows, therefore, that it takes 6 part-time to equal one full-time worker. If, on this basis, we have a shortage of 50 workers from one group, and we often do, it would require 300 part-time workers to meet that time shortage. This explains why our need for volunteers is insatiable. Let me hasten to say that because of maturity and life experience the volunteers give something to our patients and to our work which many of our paid auxiliary staff are not prepared to give.

As there are practically no graduate nurses to give the more complicated nursing care to our patients, there is but one way to provide such care, namely, to increase the enrollment of student nurses. Everyone knows that there has been and still is an extensive campaign to recruit student nurses. The United States Public

Health Service set a goal of 55,000 new admissions for the school year 1942-43. The number admitted was 49,000, or 89 per cent. The number requested for 1944-45 is 65,000. Because the former goal was not reached and because it is important to reach the new goal, the United States Public Health Service brought about the creation of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps by an act of Congress passed June 15, 1943. This Act authorized the Public Health Service to approve certain existing schools to prepare this Corps. Young women who join the Corps must sign an agreement with the United States Government which states that she will remain in active nursing, whether married or single, for the duration of the war. The school, which is approved to prepare Cadets, must so accelerate its program that the required classwork and clinical nursing experience is completed in at least two and a half years, although the student must remain in the school for three years before receiving the diploma. The last provision was made because many state laws require a three years' course for registration. This time-plan set up for the Corps makes the students available during the last six months of the senior year for service in the home hospital or other essential civilian hospital or health agency, or in a military or governmental hospital. The United States Public Health Service pays the home hospital for the maintenance of the students during the first months, varying in number, but not to exceed nine, before the value of the services of the students reimburses the hospital for cost of maintenance and instruction. The United States Public Health Service pays the student's tuition and other fees, for her preclinical hospital uniforms, and for her outdoor summer and winter Cadet Corps uniforms. The Public Health Service pays an allowance to the student for thirty months. During the last six the allowance is paid by the organization to which she is assigned. The student is not required to serve in a governmental agency. She may request such an appointment, and if that agency wishes to appoint her, the school must release her. The school is not obligated to release a member of the Cadet Corps to any civilian organization, either upon her own request or upon that of the organization.

Although the Corps was established in June, 1943, admission was made retroactive for those students whose required program could be accelerated to meet the requirements. The great response to the Corps will be realized when I state that about 79 per cent of the students in the school have joined it. We certainly have responded to the appeal of the government to increase admissions. In 1941 we admitted 121 students, in 1943 we admitted 206, an increase of 85 admissions, or 70%. This effort to increase enrollment should not be credited entirely to our patriotism, for we needed this

increase to offset our loss of graduates and were glad of the impetus the Cadet Nurse Corps gave to enrollment.

The first reaction to a school which numbers 400 is to question the extent of our need for graduate nurses and volunteers. The answer is that these young women in the school are students, and they must have time for classes and study. In the past we heard about the "born nurse." Today we hear less about her. Young women may be born with an aptitude for nursing, but they certainly are not born with the knowledge and the skills necessary for the practice of modern nursing. The student must be in the school at least eight months before she is ready to carry her full share of the basic nursing service. Today about one-fourth of the students are in the preliminary course. Then, too, all students must have an affiliation at the Boston Lying-In, and a certain number at the Eye and Ear Infirmary, Children's Hospital, Haynes Memorial, the McLean Hospital, and Visiting Nurses Association. A varying number must always be in special departments of the home hospital: operating room, diet kitchen, teaching and out patient departments. There are 50 night duty posts to be filled. Therefore, by the time all of these demands have been met, plus an increase, during the last three years, of from 23 to 58 students assigned to the Baker Memorial, the number left in the General Hospital is still inadequate. One of our school's war songs could well be a parody on "Nine Black Bottles Hanging on the Wall."

Increased enrollment of students brought increased demand for instructors, classrooms, dormitory space, and clinical experience. One or all of these shortages are found in most hospitals. As the result of much persuasion, persistent hunting, and good luck, we assembled a teaching staff for the preliminary terms which, when led by two well-prepared assistant principals, Miss Kempf and Miss Perkins, who were able to carry a teaching load which was staggering. After the preclinical term a considerable percentage of the teaching is done by the medical staff. Everyone knows what a grueling load this war has put upon physicians at home. In this school each course is taught three, sometimes four, times a year. The response from all of our medical groups to our request for teachers has been amazingly generous—from internes, residents, young assistants, and Visiting Staff. Twenty-one Visiting Men taught in the school of nursing last year. The answer to our need for classrooms was simple. There were, of course, no maids to be housed in their dormitory. So we took out the cubicles, and that dormitory is now our largest classroom. To release rooms in the nurses' residences the graduates were urged to live outside—not easily done, because changed living conditions sent many suburban residents into Boston to live, even on the wrong side of Beacon Hill,

which is our side. Ten students went into the nurses' residence of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. The last house in our row on Parkman Street was bought. As I stated before, we housed students on Baker Memorial 6. And when we could find nothing more in the neighborhood to move *into*, we moved *up*—by way of double decker beds. We are now housing students in seven different buildings with all the attendant problems. We try to meet our inadequate and unsatisfactory housing with a smile. But when the war is over, something needs to be done to build, and at once, a new residence for the student nurses of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Then, as to the need for clinical experience. Since medical patients are more easily cared for at home than surgical patients, and since parents often prefer to keep their sick children at home, there is often a shortage of medical and pediatric experience for students. In March of 1943 a new unit in the Baker Memorial was opened for children. But more experience was needed, and it was with real pleasure that we re-opened a former affiliation with the Children's Hospital. That school was in need of more experience with adult patients, and they sent a group of students to us. These square-capped students are very welcome here.

The amount of work which has been done to set up the Cadet Corps and to increase the School is beyond even our own comprehension. Miss Sleeper, first Assistant, is the liaison officer between the School and the United States Public Health Service. She assembled the information needed to fill out the long application forms, carried on the voluminous correspondence that followed, set up the budget, wrote the publicity, interpreted the plan to the students already enrolled in the School, interviewed the largest proportion of the applicants, and assisted in setting up the pay roll and with the plan for measuring the first three hundred young women for street uniforms.

But admission was only the beginning. Miss Kempf studied the schedule of every student in the School. The schedules of as many of the older students as possible were re-planned to enable them to join the Corps. The programs of all students admitted on and after February 1, 1943, were telescoped so that, barring illness or leaves, they may complete their program in 30 months and therefore be eligible for the Corps.

All through the year it has been Miss Lepper's responsibility to see that the General Hospital patients were as well cared for as possible despite the departure of graduates from the institution and of students to the Baker Memorial. It was she who hunted for part-time workers, arranged for refresher courses, and directed the volunteers. It was Miss Reiter who planned an orientation pro-

gram to help the newly capped students and the new affiliating students to adjust more easily. No responsibility is more staggering than that of Miss Voigt, whose job it is to see that all of the four hundred students in the School and all of the 50 affiliating students receive their required experience in thirty months and at the same time provide the greater part of the nursing care for the patients in the 800 beds of the Baker Memorial and General Hospital twenty-four hours around the clock. These officers of the School whom I have named are somewhat detached from the wards. If they were not, they could not maintain their own morale. The day and night supervisors of the wards and the head nurses who are out in the wards must continuously solve the problems of the hour and adjust the conflicts, as best they can. They live in a constant state of frustration. Perhaps the excitement of it all sustains them. But I often wonder what does sustain these supervisors and instructors when they face set after set of 100 test or examination papers.

At the beginning of this report I stated that it was not to be a lament. There have been many factors that sustained our morale. Perhaps the most important was knowing that whatever our responsibility as citizens for the world situation, we were not responsible, as department heads, for our hospital situation. That was not of our making. However, it was our responsibility to make the best of a bad situation. We reminded ourselves that no one was complaining or even criticizing; we were our own hardest taskmasters. There were increases in salaries and wages, which are good morale builders. An understanding attitude on the part of the patients was aided by a printed communication from the Director of the Hospital to all patients who were admitted to the Phillips House and Baker Memorial. The letter was informative, brief, direct, and courteous. It carried a statement relative to the shortages of all personnel, to the hospital policy of employing special nurses only upon the order of the physician and of transferring, with the physician's consent, nurses from the less ill to the more ill patients. The message implied, not at all subtly, but frankly, that the patients' endurance of our inability to give the normal service was one of the disciplines of war. The letter made the arresting statement that despite shortages, the hospital was endeavoring to keep its doors open to the community and ended with, "The co-operation of all patients is requested." This letter certainly did much to start the patient's stay with an understanding attitude.

In this report only brief reference can be made to the war activities of our alumnae. About two hundred are in the military services. Others, because of their age grouping, physical disability, personal responsibility, academic preparation, or nursing experience are, often against their own earnest desires, serving vital civil-

ian needs rather than government needs. These women are carrying the heavy burdens of the current long hours and added responsibilities. The Hospital—and the patients of the Phillips House and the Baker Memorial—are grateful to those special nurses who, with the consent of their own patients, have helped with the care of others who are not specialised and for whose care there were no floor duty nurses. A large number of our graduates are serving on national and local war-time committees. One has been formally notified by the proper government authorities in Washington that she is a “dollar-a-year man.” Perhaps the pull of military service is the hardest on those young women who are prepared to be instructors in our schools of nursing. They are at the age when there is a strong desire for military service. Then, too, they sometimes feel that in the future it will be necessary to explain why they were not with the fighting forces. There are, of course, valid reasons why they should remain with the schools, for there is their greatest contribution.

To return to the hospitals. In the past the average man has considered hospitals to be mixed blessings. Now they belong to that group of blessings which “brighten as they take their flight.” Today no man is sure that he can find an available hospital bed when he needs it. The major reason is lack of nursing service. That man’s probability of admission here has been increased by about 50 per cent because of the increase in the number of students in our school of nursing. Today what a debt of gratitude men and women everywhere owe the student nurses in our hospitals! I use the word “debt” advisedly. LNo money could possibly pay for what they give of the strength and enthusiasm and buoyancy of their youth. They carry great responsibility—often for life. Their treatments and medicines must be correct and asepsis is asepsis only when it is absolute. Here the students give long hours of nursing service, to which for two and a half years they add 8 or 10 hours per week in the classroom, plus more hours of study. They change their day and evening “shifts” back and forth within a week; and when they take the night one, they are, on this accelerated program, sometimes up for a class at 3 p.m. and often at 4 p.m. The afternoon off duty may have one or two classes. And perhaps, for them, one of the most trying situations today is lack of workers in the nurses’ residences. Making her own bed and tidying her own room is about as much relaxation for a student nurse as a ride through the countryside was for the “horse and buggy doctor” of two generations ago.

You may well ask why young women choose nursing. Sometimes it is because a hospital school of nursing offers a means of earning a valued education. The basic reason usually given is the

desire to work with human beings and the desire to care for those who cannot care for themselves. Once in the school, the majority find great satisfactions: comradeship of other young women, admiration for the honesty of purpose of the medical and hospital personnel, stimulation from the teamwork on the wards, interest in the content of the curriculum, pleasure in the mastery of nursing skills, the joy of firm and life-long friendships, realization of personal and professional growth, and finally, competency to make their own special contribution to the care of the sick and the maintenance of health.

As the student-nurse nears the end of her course, she looks up many different avenues of opportunities in a vocation that is slowly, but surely, emerging into a profession. Upon graduation she possesses special knowledge, attitudes and skills which enable her to live a useful and therefore a happy life.

The members of this class of 1944 are going out into the world at a time when there is much misery and much unhappiness. But they, 93 of them, are prepared to relieve misery and to restore happiness. In these missions they will find their own happiness.

As Principal of the School of Nursing of the Massachusetts General Hospital, I now present this class to Bishop Sherrill, Chairman of the Hospital's Board of Trustees, who will identify these young women by reading their names before this assembly.

S. J.

February 15, 1944

THE NURSING INFORMATION BUREAU
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New items in current issues of the *American Journal of Nursing* and *Public Health Nursing* magazines, pointed out by the Nursing Information Bureau of the American Nurses' Association.

FUNDS FOR GRADUATE NURSING EDUCATION

A total of \$1,015,005 had been allotted by the Federal Government up to January 13, 1944, to 43 institutions including colleges and universities, offering advanced programs of study to graduate nurses. . . .

THE CADET NURSE CORPS

As of January 13, 1944, \$49,333,933 of the \$52,500,000 appropriated by Congress had been allotted by the Nurse Education Division of the U. S. Public Health Service for the basic program

of 980 schools of nursing. These schools expect to admit 44,646 new students to the Cadet Nurse Corps by June 30, 1944. . . .

An appropriation of \$72,000,000 for nursing education has been requested of Congress for the fiscal year 1944-1945. . . .



INSIGNIA OF THE U. S. CADET NURSE CORPS

The illustration above is reproduced through the courtesy of *The Journal of the American Medical Association*, which describes them as follows:—

The official insignia of the U. S. Public Health Service will be worn by the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps. The cap device consists of

the fouled anchor (denoting distress) of the Navy Medical Corps and the caduceus of the Army Medical Corps, crossed behind the American shield and surmounted by a spread eagle. Buttons and lapel ornaments carry the crossed anchor and caduceus. These insignia were first adopted in 1798. The Maltese cross will be worn on the upper left sleeve of the uniform. The Maltese cross, historically associated with the profession of nursing since it was worn by the Knights Hospitalers in the First Crusade, is silver against a dark red background.

PROCUREMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF NURSES

Nurses who want to join the Army or Navy Nurse Corps, and have not already been classified, should apply for classification to the Procurement and Assignment Committee of their local nursing council for war service. They will be notified in writing by their State P and A Committee for Nurses how they have been classified. . . .

Between January 1 and July 1, 1944, eight thousand nurses must be procured for the Army and Navy. Quotas, based on the ratio of nurses to population, and indicating how many nurses each state should procure by July 1, have been released and are published in the February 1944 *American Journal of Nursing* and *Public Health Nursing* magazine.

A series of oft-asked questions about various phases of the P & A S program is featured in the March '44 AJN. . . .

The following accounts are reprinted from the Massachusetts General Hospital "News" of February, 1944 and March, 1944:—

Nearly fifty years ago—on May 4, 1894, to be specific—a young man, Joseph Godsoe by name, began work at the Massachusetts General Hospital as a porter in the Apothecary Department. At that time Walter Dodd was the Assistant Apothecary (and Photographer). Three thousand miles away, in Germany, an event that took place the following year markedly affected the lives of these two men. Both became interested in the new miracle X-ray and each played a part in its development.

After taking a medical degree, Dodd forsook pharmacy and went on to become one of the famous pioneer radiologists, not only of Boston but of the United States. Godsoe was forced to forego his ambition to become a doctor. After a leave granted by the Hospital for study at the Hinds Electrical Company, of Lowell, to master the technicalities of induction coils and other apparatus then

used for the production of X-rays, he returned to play an important part in the development of the Radiology Department at the M.G.H. Before the dangers of exposure were understood, both Dodd and Godsoe suffered extensive X-ray burns.

In 1909, Godsoe was appointed Apothecary. He served in this position until December 1, 1943, when ill health forced his retirement. His service as Apothecary covers thirty-four years; his service with the Hospital is but five months short of fifty years. He has seen the M.G.H. grow from a small hospital of about 250 beds to a great institution, with over 900 beds and with extensive chemical and research laboratories. He has seen the erection of all its major buildings, with the exception of the Bulfinch Building. He has seen and played his part in the development of X-rays, the electrocardiogram, and electro-encephalogram; in the use of the arsenicals and bismuth; the sulfonamides; the multitude of synthetic sedatives; insulin and liver extracts; vitamin preparations; the packaging of drugs in ampules, sterile and ready for parenteral use; and many other changes.

It has all come about so gradually—one miracle at a time. Unless we stop and look back we do not comprehend what vast changes have taken place during the span of one person's association with the Hospital.

During all this time Godsoe quietly and competently attended to doing his part in the teamwork of the Hospital organization. To see always that needed drugs were on hand; that they were carefully prepared and properly labelled and dispensed; that necessary records were kept; that there was economy in purchasing as well as in use. His knowledge of the good points, as well as the weaknesses of pharmaceutical manufacturers, his careful purchasing by maintaining competition, his farsightedness in anticipating drug shortages—all have redounded to his credit as an able apothecary and to the advantage of the Hospital, both financially and in its care of patients.

He hands on the torch to one whom he has trained for many years—John T. Murphy—and so can rest assured that the structure he has built so faithfully will be carried onward and upward as he would have done. Now he may relax, review the glories of the past, enjoy the progress of the present, give sage advice gleaned from a vast experience, assist whenever possible, and rejoice in the knowledge of a good fight well fought.

Well done, thou good and faithful servant. May the Massachusetts General Hospital always be blessed with such as you, and may you enjoy now and for many years to come, health and happiness well earned.

N. W. F.

The following narrative report of the Nursing Service of the Hospital's Unit in North Africa was prepared by its Chief Nurse, Capt. Doris Knights, A.N.C.:—

1. The Nursing Service of the Unit started with the opening of the Officers' Ward on 3 March 1943. Seven nurses with one nurse in charge were assigned to this ward, and one nurse for night duty. The nurses, assisted by the corpsmen, made the College dormitory suitable for the adequate care of patients. Other nurses were assigned to duty daily, as the hospital took form and was made ready for further reception of patients.

2. The Contagious Ward opened. The nurses assigned there, where the facilities were quite inadequate, made preparations to take care of precaution cases. By trial and error they worked out a satisfactory system and trained the corpsmen how to practice precautions with the setup as it was.

3. When the Moroccan Ward was opened, to accommodate approximately 450 patients, it presented many problems; how to store supplies; what to do with patients' small personal belongings; how to keep beds dry under a leaky roof, and last but not least, how to supervise such a vast area. Nurses assigned there did an excellent piece of organization, improving gradually in detail until they had an unusually satisfactory arrangement. The Moroccan Ward eventually became one of the better run departments. Many of the wards were opened under almost impossible circumstances. For weeks the workmen were still finishing construction, and noise and confusion were rife.

4. The Operating Rooms were unfinished when the operating schedule went into effect. The nurse in charge, with twelve others, made supplies and transported them to another unit for sterilizing until our own sterilizers were set up. For eight months this department has functioned smoothly, and nurses have been trained both in operating-room technique and also in anesthesia. One nurse, with no previous experience in anesthesia, was given a comprehensive preparation and has recently been transferred to another unit for the express purpose of administering anesthesia. The Chief Nurse, with fifteen years' experience giving and teaching anesthesia in civilian life and formerly in charge of the nurse anesthetists at this hospital, has also been transferred to an organization without sufficient anesthetists.

5. The Nursing Service in Psychiatry has been in charge of a nurse, recently promoted to 1st Lieutenant, who had some experience in Neuro-psychiatry at an Army post in the United States. She

has had only three nurses with previous experience. The others have been instructed by her, and the service they have performed has been commended by the officer in charge of that section.

6. In the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Clinics one nurse is kept busy all the time assisting the officers there, making visits with them on the wards, and preparing sterile supplies.

7. Approximately 15 nurses are assigned to night duty, with one acting as supervisor.

8. All seven Chief Nurses were promoted to 1st Lieutenants since arrival in North Africa; one has been transferred. Our present permanent strength is 100 nurses, with one nurse from another hospital on temporary duty to attend a refresher course in anesthesia.

9. Since the Unit has been in this Theater of Operation our patient census has fluctuated considerably. At times we have been very busy, but even when the number of patients was reduced we have had sufficient work to keep all the nurses occupied and enthusiastic.

December 30, 1943
North Africa

My dear Miss Stimson:

Will you please express to all members of the Alumnae Association how much we appreciate their very generous and thoughtful Christmas gifts to us. You certainly have made a wonderful choice of magazines, and we feel very rich to know they will be coming to us every month all through the year. Some have already arrived and are in circulation through the nurses' library in quarters. They are so popular that it has been necessary to place a time limit on them.

We have had a fine Christmas; real trees in all the wards; a present for every patient and man in the Detachment; carol singing followed by midnight mass, and a perfect turkey dinner, which I'm sure was as good, if not better, than any served in Boston.

With very best wishes to all for a Peaceful and Happy New Year, we are, faithfully yours,

THE NURSES OF THE 6TH GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Doris Knights, Captain, A.N.C.

6th Gen. Hosp. A.P.C. 764

C/o P.M. New York, New York

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Abbott, Sylvia	1931	Army	Cree, Edna	1928	Army
Allen, Margaret Hazen	1936	Army	Davis, E. Jacqueline	1932	Army
Armstrong, Kathleen	1938	Navy	Davis, Natalie	1928	Army
Atto, Kathleen	1922	Army	Dervin, Margaret	1932	Army
Ayer, Dorothy	1940	Army	DeWolf, Mary	1943	Army
Babcock, Grace R.	1939	Army	Donahue, Josephine	1941	Army
Barrett, Katherine C.	1938	Army	Dow, Miriam Atwood ..	1924	Army
Barton, Goldie	1926	Army	Drowlet, Velma A.	1939	Army
Barton, Rowena	1934	Army	Duffy, Dorothy	1939	Army
Bean, Esther M.	1934	Army	Dumaine, Betty	1926	A.R.C.
Beardwood, Gladys	1925	Army	Durning, Virginia	1943	Army
Beaudette, Laurianne	1937	Army	Dwyer, Mary Edwina	1942	Army
Beatham, Sybil	1937	Army	Eaton, Caroline	1933	Army
Belisle, Beatrice	1941	Army	Ellinwood, Doris	1925	Army
Benyon, Marion	1941	Army	Emerson, Edna	1936	Army
Binns, Julia	1940	Army	Emery, Margaret	1936	Army
Bitzer, Barbara	1936	Army	Ethier, Mildred	1920	Army
Blaney, Evelyn M.	1928	Army	Eveleth, Annette L.	1928	Army
Bourne, Constance E.	1938	Army	Farrant, Helen A.	1930	Army
Bowers, Marjorie	1931	Army	Farrar, Priscilla	1942	Navy
Boyle, Rita	1941	Army	Forand, Avis Louise	1942	Army
Briggs, Cleora	1942	Army	Forbes, Pauline C.	1929	Army
Brandon, Geraldine	1938	Army	Ford, Anna	1942	Army
Brebbia, Mary E.	1935	Army	Forgey, Grace Riordan ..	1933	Army
Brooks, Jessie H.	1933	Army	Fraser, Mary A.	1938	Army
Bruno, Carmela	1942	Army	Gardner, Grace E.	1932	Navy
Burgess, Linda	1930	Army	Gardner, Ruth G.	1938	Navy
Buckley, Elizabeth	1942	Navy	Gates, Evelyn	1942	Army
Butcher, Edith J.	1941	Army	Giberti, Florence L.	1929	Army
Canning, Mary A.	1923	Army	Gianarakos, Anastasia	1941	Army
Cardinali, Inez V.	1942	Army	Goethal, Yvonne	1939	Army
Carpenter, Mary L.	1940	Army	Goldthwait, Marjorie F. ..	1936	Navy
Carr, Kathryn	1942	Army	Graham, Helen K.	1942	Navy
Casey, Mary L.	1941	Army	Greene, Ardenia Abbott ..	1930	Army
Chadbourne, Helen O. ...	1932	Army	Gredzinski, Helen	1940	Navy
Chrystal, Dorothy M.	1928	Army	Guillemette, Loretta	1940	Army
Clark, Alice	1939	Army	Haddon, Ruth	1939	Army
Coghlan, Helen J.	1928	Army	Haley, Blanche	1930	Army
Coffey, Eileen	1938	Army	Halladay, Hazel	1930	Army
Cogswell, Thelma B. ...	1926	Army	Helekas, Garyfallia	1942	Army
Convelski, Stephanie	1933	Army	Hansis, Evelyn	1939	Army
Conza, Ermine	1920	Army	Hardy, Amanda B.	1926	Army
Coolidge, Mary C.	1927	Army	Harlow, Evelyn C.	1928	Army
Cooper, Jean	1942	Army	Harper, Marjorie	1931	Army
Corthell, Beatrice M.	1922	Army	Hartnett, Helen V.	1941	Army
Corcoran, Alice M.	1934	Army	Hartnett, Marguerite E. ..	1943	Navy
Cousins, Helene E.	1938	Army	Hathaway, Ruth	1938	Army
Cox, Christine	1942	Army	Hewitt, Helen G.	1935	Army
Crafts, Eleanor B.	1932	Army			

Hollister, Louise H.	1933	Army	Moore, Anna E.	1940	Army
Holmes, Isabel	1941	Army	Moore, Anna L.	1941	Army
Holt, Cynthia	1941	Army	Moore, Christine H.	1929	Army
Holt, Norma Nesmith ...	1942	Army	Mosher, Louise G.	1936	Army
Horton, Ruth	1941	Army	Mulholland, Anna	1941	Army
Hussey, Edwina	1937	Army	Munroe, Barbara	1942	Navy
James, Doris	1942	Army	Nason, Eleanor	1942	Navy
Jarvis, Katherine	1940	Army	Nelson, Earlyne	1942	Army
Jensen, Barbara	1939	Navy	Nelson, Margaret	1933	Army
Jewell, Martha	1941	Army	Newcomb, Ruth	1942	Navy
Johnson, Elsie	1937	Army	Nickerson, Dorothy A....	1938	Army
Johnson, Harriet L.	1941	Army	O'Brien, Margaret	1943	Army
Kearns, Muriel	1936	Navy	O'Leary, Rita E.	1941	Army
Kellogg, Violet	1941	Army	Ottley, Jean	1941	Army
Kerzick, Mildred	1934	Army	Passios, Alexandria	1942	Army
Kimball, Martha	1941	Navy	Penniman, Ruth F.	1926	Army
King, Evelyn V.	1938	Army	Pentecost, Claire	1940	Navy
Knights, Doris	1931	Army	Peterson, Barbara E.	1939	Army
Koziol, Genevieve	1943	Army	Piippo, Regina Arline	1941	Navy
Krook, Elsie	1932	Army	Pitman, Eleanor	1925	Army
Lanouette, Naomi	1927	Army	Plant, Eunice	1938	Army
Lawrence, Ruth	1931	Army	Pritchard, Anna E.	1940	Army
Lord, Elizabeth W.	1932	Navy	Reardon, Mary F.	1940	Army
Lowney, Carolyn	1941	Army	Reed, Carolyn Hayward ..	1922	Army
Luby, Lillian L.	1940	Army	Renn, Elsie G.	1941	Army
Lunt, Louine M.	1930	Army	Rein, Rita F.	1934	Navy
Lyons, Catherine E.	1934	Army	Rose, Eunice	1929	Army
MacNeill, Hazel W.	1935	Army	Ross, Jean Perin	1943	Army
MacSwain, Mary C.	1929	Army	Russell, Alice G.	1941	Army
Madden, Philomena	1941	Army	Sarad, Julia	1942	Navy
Mahoney, Margaret F. ...	1937	Army	Sears, Virginia L.	1941	Army
Mather, Jean T.	1941	Navy	Shaw, Helen D.	1929	Army
Maxwell, Barbara E.	1932	Army	Sheldon, Lilla	1942	Army
May, Morjorie	1938	Army	Sherer, Louise C.	1941	Army
McCabe, Kathryn L.	1936	Army	Simpson, Phyllis Louise ..	1942	Navy
McCullough, Ethel	1937	Army	Slattery, Ethel M.	1929	Army
McDonald, Jeannette C. ..	1941	Army	Sloper, Lucia W.	1939	Army
McDonnell, Frances C. ...	1939	Army	Smith, Phyllis	1942	Navy
McDonnell, Rose C.	1935	Army	Smith, Ruth Myers	1942	Army
McGarry, Catherine	1934	Army	Southway, Doris Car-		
McGlynn, Dorothy F.	1932	Army	penter	1922	Army
McKee, Anna M.	1937	Army	Staats, Mary H.	1937	Navy
McKee, Kathleen M.	1921	Army	Stacey, Eleanor C.	1933	Army
McKenzie, Anne	1941	Army	Steele, Marie Elsie	1943	Army
McKinnon, Christine A.	1928	Army	Stoney, Dorothy	1929	Army
McLellan, Bessie	1932	Army	Sweeney, Mary	1941	Army
McMorrin, Frances	1942	Army	Tinkham, Anna L.	1940	Army
Mears, Ann	1942	Army	Tolman, Madeline A.	1933	Army
Meilleur, Winona	1941	Army	Townsend, Lois	1932	Army
Moles, Dorothy I.	1933	Army			
Monaghan, Genevieve ...	1941	Army			

Triggs, Grace	1941 Navy	Wilson, Margaret E.	1938 Navy
White, Alice M.	1930 Army	Wilson, Mary E.	1935 Army
Whittier, Eva	1932 Army	Wright, Elizabeth Upton	1927 Army
Wilcox, Chloe D.	1935 Army	Wright, Helen Elizabeth	1941 Army
Wilkins, Mary	1940 Army	Wrigley, Nellie	1939 Army
Willis, Irene E.	1941 Army	Yancey, Alice	1941 Army

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.
2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.
3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
6. For the Loan Fund to Miss Katherine Pierce, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Massachusetts.

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES

We announce our new social director—Mrs. Teuber. She is a warm, friendly, energetic young woman with the interest of every student's happiness and well being tucked neatly in her heart. Brought up and educated in Switzerland, she developed a healthy love for out-of-door activities, and was once a champion in high jumping among the students of Switzerland. There she was graduated from a school of physical education. After teaching skiing, skating, and the history of art for some time, her interest in fine arts lead her to continue her education at the University of Basle. Later she won a fellowship to Vassar where she received her Master's degree, and she is now in the process of working for her Ph.D. at Radcliffe. But her interest is now with us, and since she has come we have had two classes in modern dancing, several evenings of bridge, a bowling party, basket ball at the Brimmer-May School, a skiing party at the Waverley Country Club, and a class in horse-back riding in the Blue Hills.

At this time we, the students, wish to extend to the faculty our thanks for the continuance of our traditional social activities in the absence of a social director. In spite of their already too heavy war-time nursing schedules, they devoted out of their own free hours enough time so that none of our regular extra-curricular activities were omitted.

On January 31, the Dormitory Board held an Open House in the Walcott living room for all students who wished to come. There was a good gathering. Besides games, singing, and a Virginia Reel, Margaret Reid and Thelma Rushforth gave a piano and violin recital. For refreshments the girls had prepared two huge bowls of fruit salad, and punch and cookies.

On Valentine's Day, February 14, the student nurses gave a dance in the Walcott Living Room. Men from Harvard and Tufts Medical Schools, house officers from the hospital, and service men from the U. S. O. were invited. Miss French and Mrs. Andrews were faculty representatives present. There was a large attendance at the party with an almost even number of men and girls. Paul Jones, broom dances, and other games were included in the program to mix up the party and get people acquainted. Refreshments were served at 10 P.M., and the party ended just before midnight.

Graduation has come and gone, leaving us with fond recollections. It was a lovely affair—one of the nicest graduations M.G.H. has ever known.

We began our week of activities with a formal ball on February 4, at the Hotel Vendome. Miss Johnson, Miss Sleeper, and Dr. Hauser were in the receiving line. It is the general consensus of opinion that everyone who went had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Sunday night was Baccalaureate Service at St. Paul's Cathedral. Each of us in long sleeved "checks" and a black band sat in the church lit only by the glow of the tiny candles which we held. The hymns were old familiar ones, and the solemnity and beauty of the service will be a lasting memory.

The night before graduation, February 8, the class held a banquet at the Fox and Hounds Club. Miss Johnson, Miss Sleeper, Miss Perkins, and Miss Kempf were our guests. The evening was typified by a feeling of good will and merriment. Miss Johnson gave a most amusing speech and Miss Perkins dug up our past and reminisced on probie days. At each place was a corsage with a red rose—reminbrance of the evening.

On the afternoon of February 9, the Ladies Visiting Committee and the School of Nursing Committee gave an attractive tea for the seniors and their friends. It is hard to tell who enjoyed the tea more, we or our parents, who had a chance to meet Miss Johnson and Miss Sleeper for the first time since that probie tea so long, long ago.

Graduation! As we marched into Moseley Hall two by two in our formal "checks" and black bands, the powerful feeling that we were actually graduating swept over us. The Rev. Henry K. Sherrill, D.D., Chairman of the Board of Trustees, was the presiding officer. President Neilson of Smith was our speaker. He stressed the intangible—the unteachable—traits so necessary in a good nurse. Miss Johnson read the Annual Report which was most enlightening. For the first time many of our parents and friends realized just what kind of work we are doing. The Report made us feel genuine pride for our hospital in this hour of great stress.

Following the service, which closed with the lovely strains of our school song, there was a reception in the brick corridor where seniors received well-earned congratulations.

As we ring out the old, we ring in the new. While we were busy with graduation, a new generation had entered the school and were learning their way about in our maze of labyrinthian corridors. On February 11, the Big-Sister-Little-Sister Party took place in the Walcott Living Room. Although Jean Ridgeway arranged the party, due to illness, she was unable to carry out her plans. Peggy Brown took over and was master of ceremonies in her absence. The

evening was made memorable by a skit which caricatured the first painful days of training. It took the probie from the first awkward interview, through the reception for parents and friends to the finale, which was the first nursing class. Julia Graves, taking the part of Miss Perkins, gave a long and solemn speech on the importance and general value of the procedure they were about to learn—the famous newspaper bag. A delightful part of the skit, which was arranged by Sandra Scavatto, was that not only did the Big Sisters enjoy and understand the jokes, but the incidents were so near to the hearts of the probies themselves, that everyone was able to appreciate the fun. Besides the skit, there were singing, a Virginia Reel, and a relay game. For refreshments everyone regressed to childhood and ate ice cream cones.

JANE R. MARTIN,
June '42.

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The A.N.A. Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses—Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses—Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

THE ALUMNAE

ALUMNAE MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the M.G.H. Nurses Alumnae Association, Inc., was held in the Walcott House Classroom on January 25, 1944, at 8:15 P.M. Because of inclement weather the attendance was small. Following the Secretary's report, Chairmen of the various committees gave their reports, followed by a few well chosen remarks by the President, Marjory Stimson (1921).

Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association, Inc.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1943

Cash—January 1, 1943

Balance in the State Street Trust Co.	\$ 257.90
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Receipts

Membership Dues

Active	\$2,149.00
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Associate	229.00
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Non Resident	1,169.50
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	\$3,547.50
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Gifts	35.00
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Miscellaneous	3.00
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Quarterly Record	5.25
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	3,591.25
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Total Receipts

	\$3,849.15
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Disbursements

Printing and Publishing Quarterly	\$ 994.85
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Other Printings	189.14
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Monthly Meetings	49.42
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M.S.N.A. District No. 5 (Membership)	1,307.75
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Postage and Stationery	108.99
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Exchange and Charge on Checks	20.43
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Treasurer	500.00
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Annual Contributions

Isabelle H. Robb Fund	\$ 25.00	
McIsaac Loan Fund	25.00	
Nat. League of Nursing Educ.	100.00	
Annabella McCrae Loan Fund	50.00	
M.G.H. School of Nursing	100.00	300.00

Gifts and Flowers (including re-
membrances for Unit)

60.84

Bonding of Treasurer

56.75

Auditing of Books

25.00

Deposited in Federal and Loan Savings
Bank

120.00

3,733.17

Balance in State St. Trust Co. January 1, 1944

\$ 115.98

Savings Banks

Boston Federal Savings & Loan Association

\$1,261.86

Franklin Savings Bank

272.02

The Boston Five Cents Savings Bank

1,236.06

Provident Institute for Savings

1,331.98

\$4,101.92

Respectfully submitted,

By ANNE LYONS TWOMEY,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND**Annual Report, January, 1944**

Principal	\$47,569.04
Income (previous to this year)	40,889.25
Interest	2,788.77
Franklin Savings Bank	3,449.95

Grand Total

\$94,697.01

ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND**Annual Report 1943**

During this year the demands upon the Loan Fund continued to be more numerous than the committee had anticipated in a War year. Four new loans were approved, two for Columbia for preparation for teaching, and two for the Public Health Nursing course at Simmons. For the first time in recent years, we had to cut down the amount of one request and refuse another because of the depletion of our funds. The four loans were for amounts of \$250.00, \$200.00 and \$300.00.

During November and December unexpectedly large repayments were sent in on two large loans, and one borrower who had been failing in her reimbursements began paying once more. Also the donation of \$50.00 from the Alumnae Association was received. Therefore, we once more have a good balance of available funds,—totalling \$1,034.00 at the moment.

The treasurer's report was attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee:

Miss Kathleen Atto
Miss Anna Crotty
Miss Helene G. Lee
Miss Ruth Sleeper

KATHERINE E. PEIRCE,
Chairman.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SICK RELIEF ASSOCIATION
of the
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES
ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The fiscal year of the Sick Relief Association ends April 30, and this report is presented as of that date.

The Executive Committee held four meetings during the year, all well attended.

Eight full benefits and ten partial benefits totaling \$1,031.45, were paid, leaving a balance on hand April 30, 1943, of \$21,157.32.

We are pleased to report a continued gain in membership. There now are 223 members, a gain of 19 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIRA B. STEVENS, *President.*

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE 1943

	<i>Total</i>	<i>New</i>
Resident Member	431	70
Non-resident Member	584	28
Associate Member	115	2
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Respectfully submitted,

ADELE L. CORKUM, *Chairman.*

**REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES
ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.,
FOR THE YEAR 1943**

The program committee has been most fortunate in receiving the cooperation of the members of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association and the Hospital Staff in order to plan the program for the year 1943. The committee extends its grateful appreciation to all who contributed. The program consisted of the following:

March

Illustrated Lecture on the Cocoanut Grove Disaster by Dr. Bradford Cannon.

April

Lecture on and Demonstration of the Sister Kenny Method of treating infantile paralysis by Miss Mary MacDonald of the Boston Visiting Nurse Association and Miss H. French, Supervisor, Massachusetts General Hospital.

Open discussion on how the hospital is attempting to serve the community by keeping its door open in this war emergency. Discussion was led by Dr. Nathaniel Faxon, Miss Sally Johnson and assistants.

October

Discussion of the Army Nurse Cadet Corps as it functions in the Nursing School by Miss Ruth Sleeper.

November

The Assignment and Procurement Service by Miss Katherine Peirce.

December

The Candlelight Service by the student nurses of the Massachusetts General Hospital, School of Nursing.

The expenses included:

January, 1943	
Entertainment	\$25.00
Elevator Boy	1.50
December, 1943	
Chairs for Candlelight	10.00
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Total	\$36.50

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE SCHERER ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

1-24-44

The upper Out-Patient Amphitheater was filled to capacity on Tuesday evening, February 29, 1944, with Alumnae members and senior students, to hear Mrs. John B. Hazard (Etta May Holly, 1931), tell of her experiences as a Red Cross Nurse on the "Gripsholm" from September 2nd to December 1st, 1943.

The description of her hurried preparation, included a Scollay Square passport picture, their quarters on board ship, the arrival of their first Japanese prisoners, and the test of their ability to improvise.

Her experience included all phases of nursing from the care of a new-born baby to the mentally ill. She told how few of the 1500 repatriates were Christians. No Church services were held on board ship going over, but to set a good example, some of the American sailors conducted one or two meetings and invited the nurses to help with the music and singing. At any other time this would have been a wonderful cruise, through a warm ocean, around a continent and through the tropics, but Mrs. Hazard had little time for pleasure.

There was a marked comparison between the two ships "Gripsholm" and "Teia Maru" in port. The Swedish liner was really luxurious compared to the quarters, water supply and food

aboard the Japanese vessel. The Japanese were reluctant to leave their comforts, and the Americans wept with joy to know they were headed for the good old U.S.A. We are proud that one of our Alumnae had such a privilege and experience.

On March 1st, Mrs. Hazard became Assistant to Miss Edna S. Lepper (1926) supervising and directing the large group of Hospital Volunteers.

Engagements

Marjorie F. Sleep (1937) to Lt. (j.g.) Clinton Williams Pickering, U.S.N.R., of Swampscott, Massachusetts.

Hildagarde Sanneman (1941) to Dr. August B. Uermann, 3rd. Miss Sanneman is now at the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and also is studying at the Institute of Musical Art.

Marriages

Ruth Meyers Smith (1942) to Mr. William Gibbons Bunting of Boston on October 5, 1943.

Dorothy M. Brown (1927) to Mr. Wilfred Wartenberg on November 29, 1943, in Newark, New Jersey.

Catherine M. Powers (1940) to Mr. Lester C. Mudge on December 4, 1943, at Jackson Heights, New York.

Gertrude E. Hall (1943) to James L. Jackson, Army of the United States, on December 6, 1943, at Denver, Colorado. At home, 649 Clermont Street, Denver, Colorado.

Patricia W. Campbell (1943) to Mr. George Edward Leonard, Jr., on December 23, 1943, in the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Margaret Jean Cooper (1942) to Mr. Leonard A. Westberg of Chicago, Illinois, on January 13, 1944, in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Lt. Edna L. Emerson, A.N.C. (1936) to Capt. Robert E. Howe on January 29, 1944 in Casablanca, North Africa, where they are both on active duty with the armed forces.

Madeleine E. Ruest (1941) to Capt. George R. Frankovich, U.S.A., on January 29, 1944, at York Chapel, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.

Pearl Blanche Foss (1944) to Burton O. Gustavsen, U.S.N., at the Chapel of the U. S. Naval Air Training Station, Jacksonville, Florida, on February 19, 1944.

Margaret F. Mahoney (1937) 1st Lt. A.N.C. to Lt. Frederic W. Blood, S.C.U.S.N.R., on February 26, 1944, in Noumea, New Caledonia.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Dudley (Dorothy I. Magoon, 1937) announce the birth of a daughter, Deanna Rae, on July 21, 1943, at the Barre City Hospital, Barre, Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Matson (Ruth Elizabeth Pierce, 1937) announce the birth of a second daughter, Marjorie Ruth, on August 19, 1943, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital, Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cary (Florence R. Perry, 1937) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, on September 12, 1943, in East Hartford, Connecticut.

Dr. and Mrs. John W. D. Garrett (Penelope L. Hutchinson, 1933) announce the birth of a daughter, Penelope Ann, on October 26, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Lott (Carrie M. Chick, 1932) announce the birth of their third daughter, Carolyn Hoffman, on November 25, 1943, in Westwood, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin P. Craven (Carol Hill, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Mark, on November 28, 1943, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Lt. Commander and Mrs. Donald E. Boyle (Beatrice Leona Herard, 1941) announce the birth of a daughter, Ann Marie, on December 12, 1943, at the Flushing General Hospital, Flushing, Long Island, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart French (Mary A. McJennett, 1938) announce the birth of a daughter, Deborah Stewart, on December 21, 1943, at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollinan (Catherine McGrath, 1931) announce the birth of a daughter, Catherine Hollinen, on December 23, 1943, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Duncan Hawk (Carolyn Lowney, 1941) announce the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Dee, on December 26, 1943, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Noonan (Barbara R. Yutronich, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Thomas, on December 27, 1943, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Capt. and Mrs. George Watson (Mary Brebbia, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Jean Crane, on January 13, 1944, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dale (Mary E. Camelio, 1934) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Patricia, on January 27, 1944, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith (Winona H. Behr, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Douglas Pell, on February 11, 1944, at the Baker Memorial, Boston, Massachusetts.

Major and Mrs. William Holtham (Martha Brown, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Ruth, on February 25, 1944.

In Memoriam

MARGARET W. STEVENSON

Margaret W. Stevenson (1890) died on January 13, 1944, in Old Greenwich, Connecticut, after a brief illness. Miss Stevenson had enjoyed a varied nursing career. She was one of the first treasurers of the M.G.H. Alumnae Association, and in 1896 was the first delegate, sent by the Alumnae Association, to attend a National Convention known at that time as the Convention of Training Schools for Nurses Society. In World War I, Miss Stevenson was a volunteer worker with the American Committee for Devastated France under Miss Ann Morgan. She organized an American dispensary in France, and directed relief activities in 1918 at Chateau-Thierry and Vieils Misons where 4,000 refugees were cared for. She received Reconnaissance Francaise "for great devotion and complete self-forgetfulness in her care of wounded soldiers and civil population."

MRS. GERARDI M. BALBONI

News of the sudden death, on February 1st, of Lillian Dobie Balboni, brought sadness to her many friends. Lillian was the senior member of the Class of 1910. Her enthusiasm and vivacity endeared her to all with whom she came in contact. Very soon after being graduated she was married to Dr. Gerardo M. Balboni. During the War Emergency she volunteered for service, one day a week, in the Nursing Office at the Massachusetts General Hospital. To Dr. Balboni and three children: Lillian Balboni Knight of Cleveland, Ohio; Victor, Captain, M.C. A.U.S. recently returned to New York after service in Greenland; and Albert, Lieutenant U.S.N., serving in the South Pacific, we extend our sincere sympathy.

*"Death's but an open door,
We move from room to room
There is one life, no more,
No dying, and no tomb."*

In Memoriam

JEAN CAMERON FRASER

Miss Jean Cameron Fraser (1890) died in Camden, New York, on February 28, 1944, in her eighty-fifth year. Miss Fraser was, for thirty-eight years, the devoted and beloved superintendent of the Vincent Memorial Hospital, South Huntington Avenue, Boston, retiring in 1942.

CHARLOTTE MANDEVILLE PERRY

Charlotte Mandeville Perry (1892), died on March 7, 1944, following a long illness. Miss Perry graduated from Ottawa Ladies' College in 1880, from McLean Hospital Training School in 1891, and from our own School in 1892, with six months at Boston Lying-In Hospital. She later took a post-graduate course at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. Her first position was that of substitute for eight months in charge of the Quincy Hospital. Miss Perry was superintendent of the hospital and of the training school in each of the following institutions: Clinton Hospital, Clinton, Massachusetts; Faxton Hospital, Utica, New York (eight months); Malden Hospital (seven years); New Haven Hospital (four months). She had always wanted to be a teacher. In later years she decided to give her whole attention to teaching. A summer at Teachers College, Columbia University, three at Harvard University, and one at Wellesley College supplemented by her earlier training and experience, enabled her to become visiting instructor to six schools of nursing in and about Boston. Miss Perry's interest and devotion in her work, her interest in people and her spirit of service was a real inspiration to those with whom she was associated. She was very proud of her Red Cross Nursing Service badge and of the certificate with Jane Delano's signature. Funeral services were held at the Cambridge Home for Aged People, where she had made her home for several years.

In Memoriam

DR. EDWARD PEIRSON RICHARDSON

Dr. Edward P. Richardson, Honorary Surgeon of the Massachusetts General Hospital, died on January 26, 1944, at the age of sixty-two.

Dr. Richardson received his A.B. degree from Harvard in 1902, and his M.D., *cum laude*, from the Harvard Medical School in 1906. He served as East Surgical House Officer at this hospital during 1906 and 1907. After his internship he assisted his father, Dr. Maurice H. Richardson, master surgeon of his day, in private practice until the latter's death in 1912. In 1911 he had been appointed an Out-Patient Surgeon at this hospital.

During World War I, Dr. Richardson went overseas with the first Harvard Unit, and in July 1918 was commissioned Captain in the U. S. Army Medical Corps. He served in evacuation hospitals in France and Germany, with promotion to Major in September 1918. After his return from military duty he was appointed, in October 1919, as Assistant Visiting Surgeon here.

In 1922, when the Hospital established a full-time surgical teaching and research service, known as the Third Surgical Service, Dr. Richardson was made its Chief and at the same time received the appointment of John Homans Professor of Surgery at the Harvard Medical School. This special Third Service was merged in 1925 with the West Surgical Service, Dr. Richardson continuing as its Chief until 1930 when suddenly, at the height of his powers, he was stricken with an untimely and crippling illness that forced his retirement from active duty. He was appointed to the Honorary Staff.

Dr. Richardson was particularly successful in attracting to his service a group of talented young surgeons, who devoted their full time to teaching, and to investigative and clinical work at the Hospital. This group originally comprised Drs. Monroe A. McIver, Edward D. Churchill, James C. White, and Robert R. Linton. The service was soundly organized and wisely administered, and soon began to produce results. The Chief's foresight in the choice of his

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personnel provided an able successor who has since brilliantly carried on the work so wisely planned.

Edward Richardson was a quiet, pleasant, modest gentleman of sound judgment and deep intellect. He was a skillful and experienced general surgeon who made real contributions to surgery, especially in the fields of the thyroid and parathyroid glands.

His great contribution to the M. G. H. was undoubtedly made when he courageously broke away from the established standards of the successful surgeon of an earlier day, gave up the emoluments of the itinerant operator and devoted himself to the advancement of a full-time service of research, teaching, and clinical work at a single hospital. He founded here an organization that has flourished like the proverbial bay tree.

For fourteen years after his retirement Edward Richardson lived on, severely disabled, prevented from following the profession he loved, but calmly happy and cheerful in his restricted family life, with the occasional fishing and boating excursions of which he was so fond. On rare occasions he appeared at medical meetings and social gatherings. At such times it was a pleasure to see his face light up when old friends, of whom there were so many, greeted him.

His great interest was in his three fine sons, who bid fair to uphold the family tradition of community service set so high by their distinguished grandfathers and father.

L. D.
—THE NEWS

DR. EMILY P. HOWARD

Dr. Emily P. Howard, widow of Dr. Herbert Burr Howard, former superintendent of the M.G.H. from 1897 to 1908, and one of the original founders of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, died on March 1, 1944, in her eighty-fourth year. Mrs. Howard was former superintendent of the New England Hospital for Women and Children. One son, Major Charles P. Howard, survives. Her funeral was in Reading, Massachusetts, on March 4, 1944, and attended by many of her friends from both hospitals.

NEWS

The hospital was host on the evening of Feb. 15th to the "6" General "Wives" and their guests. In the Walcott House living room, the "Wives" brought a wonderful collection of articles which have been sent them from North Africa. Silver and gold jewelry, beautifully tooled leather bags and portfolios, dolls dressed in Arab costumes, hand woven linens, paintings and sketches of scenes abroad, large metal trays, huge leather hassocks, embroidered and leather decorated slippers; even two long sharp daggers (in their cases) were among the gifts which were exhibited. Several of the hospital staff shared in the pleasure of seeing these exhibits, as well as the colored slides which were shown in the classroom later. Refreshments at the end made it a real party. The surprise guest was Mary W. Kennedy herself, back from Casablanca; her explanations of each picture made it doubly interesting and she brought first hand news of the Unit to the Wives, which must have given them untold pleasure.

Mary Reardon (1940) writes of her work as follows: "Our squadron is based on one of the Hawaiian Islands, and while we are here for only short periods of time between our trips 'down under', it's always very pleasant to get back, step off the plane and in just a few minutes find ourselves in a very nice home with a delicious meal and hot bath waiting. There are two things we miss when we are away from here; and incidentally I think our patients have the same opinion. I can remember of the boys saying to me, 'It sure will be nice to have a glass of milk and a bath.'

"Ours is an interesting and very exciting job—as well as most satisfying. You'd be surprised how much more tiring it is to work while flying than in a hospital. There is very little in the line of nursing care that we cannot give—our air ambulance chests and medical officer's kits give us all the equipment we need from aspirin to plasma and oxygen masks. Our technicians have been trained so that they can give an intravenous or oxygen if we should be busy with another patient. They are really a big help to us. The big transport planes are smooth-flying, in fact, our patients are much more comfortable flying for hours than they were in the ambulance being brought from a hospital to the plane."

Stephanie Convelski (1933) spent a warm Christmas in New Caledonia; she writes—"Our quarters are mud huts with grass roofs. They are cooler than any other type of building. However they aren't always the best of shelter during some of these tropical storms.

"The Javanese women are tiny and have cute figures. They

wear a long sarong arrangement, with brightly-colored sashes and blouses. Their whole costume is very colorful. Some are quite attractive in their native fashion.

"There are a lot of French, some metropolitan as well as the native Frenchman.

"Our social activities are quite varied; as I'm not allowed to discuss our medical duties I'll have to content myself with discussing other things. We have dances at various organizations and practically all have club houses and several of them have marvelous bands. There are also many horses to ride, trips about the island which is very beautiful, picnics and swimming."

In her most hospitable manner Miss Hazel Goff entertained on the evening of January 15th, all M.H.G. Alumnae known to be residing in greater Cleveland. Several brought snap-shots taken a few and more years ago and there was much reminiscing—lots of fun and an excellent buffet supper. While we represented a number of graduation years, we all had learned our nursing skills from Miss McCrae and very appropriately sent her a greeting card, signed by each. We were sorry Mrs. Helen Rodier Bovington was ill, but the following is a list of those present: Hazel A. Goff, 1917; Rose A. Munger, 1919; Ruth Turner Littlefield, 1919; Hazel Manuel Merriam, 1915; Marguerite McNeely Nelson, 1928; Harriet Workman Becker, 1937; Marion C. Woodbury, 1920; Constance Hoyt Powell, 1917; Edythe E. Angell, 1919; Elena Trayan, 1920.

Elena Trayan (1920) is in charge of Health Service at the St. Luke's Hospital in Cleveland.

Rosa Munger (1919) is doing industrial nursing in Cleveland.

Edythe E. Angell (1919) is Supervisor of Surgery, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland.

Marion Woodbury (1920) is Administration Assistant to Miss Hazel A. Goff, Director of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.

Chloe D. Wilcox (1935) describes her trip to the Arab Market place: "Saturday afternoon and evening the Arabs spend bringing their wives to the Market place, 'Souk'; each little donkey is loaded down with his two big baskets chuck full and an Arab sitting sideways on his back. The whole family goes so there is a goodly gathering of them. All the donkeys are picketed outside the white cement enclosure. Inside, the various craftsmen are segregated, according to trades and the same is true of merchants so

that it is very like one of our country fairs, as far as the layout goes. The tinsmiths are most interesting and very clever. They can make anything imaginable from tin—one was even putting a new bottom in a basin—a beautiful job of soldering. Each has a little hand forge and makes it burn hotter with the aid of a bellows that looks like a good-sized pocketbook which Aunt Agatha may have carried at one time. The air comes out of a small hole near the bottom. The most interesting part was that most of their raw material at one time or another contained rations for the U. S. Armed forces in North Africa. Was admiring a tea-kettle and discovered that it said Peaches on the side of it. One big receptacle was made of three or four fruit cans all very neatly seamed together—we got a great kick out of it all.”

Rose McDonnell (1935) writes about the Christmas and New Year celebrations, “overseas”. “We had loads of fun over the holidays. It was like a kindergarten on each ward. We made link chains out of everything we could lay our hands on, from life saver wrappers to newspaper and our Christmas wrappings. We cut Santa Clauses out and pasted cotton batting on them for whiskers. We cut out bells, candles, sleighs, Christmas trees and peppermint canes until our hands were calloused from cutting and drawing and coloring. Wreaths were made from hibiscus leaves. At the Christmas dinner, the dining room was very touching. The shades were drawn and each table was lighted by a low wooden candelabra containing five red candles. There was a huge tree in the corner of the room and poinsettias in bowls in appropriate places (you know they grow here).”

Mrs. John Walsh (Olive Leussler, 1915) has a new business address: “The Open Window, Serving Fine Food” at 79-09 Roosevelt Avenue, Jackson Heights, New York. She writes that it is easily accessible on the 8th Avenue subway and that she would be delighted to welcome any M.G.H.ers who live in that community.

Kathleen Atto (1922) is one of the group of nurses who had the honor of being the first member of the A.N.C. to be promoted to the rank of Major. She will now wear the gold oak leaf. She has been transferred from the Surgeon General’s Office in Washington to be in charge of the nurses of the Second Service Command with headquarters at Governor’s Island, New York.

Alumnae who recently completed the course in Public Health Nursing at Simmons College are Muriel Settle (1942) and Eleanor Palmer (1940). Marion Marcheti (1941) and Elizabeth Ulrich (1937) have received their B.S. degrees.

Katherine Maurer (1941) has been granted a leave of absence from her position as head nurse on one of the pediatric wards to take a course at Teachers College, Columbia. She has been granted a Federal scholarship for a semester's study in pediatrics. This special course was set up at the request of the Cadet Nurse Corps to secure more specially trained pediatric supervisors, head nurses and teachers.

Hendricka A. Vanderschurr (1934) has been appointed to assist Jessie Stewart (1935) in the Baker Memorial. They are responsible for the teaching of the students assigned to the Baker; supervision of the procedures, planning and teaching at ward clinics and completion of the ward reports.

Nancy J. Hardy (1944) is acting head nurse on the pediatric ward until June, during Miss Maurer's absence.

Madeleine Hamel (1944) is assistant head nurse on the orthopedic ward.

Helen Lehmann (1928) has received a scholarship from the Joint Orthopedic Nursing Advisory Service and is taking a course in Physical Therapy at Northwestern University. She says that the course is much more difficult than she ever imagined, but most interesting.

Mrs. Foster Copp (Louise Holmes, 1924) wrote at Christmas from her home in LaJolla, California. Her small son, 5½ years old, has never seen snow but some day he may come with his mother to hear carols on Beacon Hill and see the candle light reflected on the white world outside. Mrs. Lena Holmes (1924), her mother, lives in a little cottage on a promontory overlooking the LaJolla caves, "where the spray draws itself in through natural crevices in the rocks. It's interesting all day long; seals were playing there a few days ago."

The following M.G.H. nurses are taking a course in Industrial Nursing at Simmons College; Alice Barnard Van Arman (1916); Marion G. Verge (1929); Lillian G. Norton (1933); Dorothy E. Richardson (1936); Ann M. Fulton (1937).

Mrs. Jerome C. Van Arman (Alice Barnard, 1916) is Industrial Nurse at the Simplex Wire and Cable Company in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Valdemar Nielsen (Christine H. MacDonald, 1930) is enrolled at Simmons College for the one-year course in Public Health Nursing.

Grace M. Neal (1902) who served for twenty-one and a half years as Superintendent of Nurses at the Channing Sanitarium, Wellesley, Massachusetts, has retired and is now enjoying life at Cedar Lodge, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Miss Edith Marden (1899) who retired as Superintendent of the Waltham Hospital in 1941 to enjoy life in her home, Norwell, Massachusetts, became Director of the Morton Hospital, Taunton, Massachusetts, on December 1, 1943.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ralph A. Chase (Georgie O. Cadman, 1906) on the death of her husband in January, 1944.

Mrs. Jack E. Bowler (Elsie M. Frazier, 1922) is Director of the South County Hospital, Wakefield, Rhode Island.

Mrs. George H. Champlin (Olive Jackson, 1932) of Dunn's Corner, Westerly, Rhode Island, is busy teaching Home Nursing Classes along with her district work. She and Mrs. Bowler are members of a Committee for the Procurement and Assignment of Nurses in their County.

On the afternoon of January 9, 1944, the Simmons College School of Nursing held its Capping Exercises. Major Kathleen H. Atto (1922) A.N.C., Director of Nursing Service, Second Service Command, gave the address. Miss Helen Wood (1909) Director of the School of Nursing, presented the caps.

Elizabeth W. Thompson (1918) of Pomfret Center, Connecticut, has come out of retirement to teach Nurses Aides, and to do general relief work in the local hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. James Lewis (Charlotte Fyhr, 1937) are living at 99 Mulberry Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, where Dr. Lewis has opened his office for "Internal Medicine". Mrs. Lewis is anxious to contact Mrs. George Thomas Clark Fry (Louise Cronin, 1936). Anyone knowing her address, please communicate with Mrs. Lewis.

The February issue of the *American Journal of Nursing* published an interesting article by Margaret S. Arey (1931) on "The Care of Patients with Amputations." Miss Arey has accepted a position as Supervising Instructor of Orthopedics with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, assuming her new duties on May 1, 1944.

Lois Townsend (1932) 2nd Lt. A.N.C. is now stationed at the Billings General Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

In February, Dr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Robinson and family moved into their new home at 80 Berkeley Street, West Newton, Massachusetts, where Dr. Robinson has opened his office.

Alice M. Wescott (1913), Medical Record Librarian at the Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital, Gardner, Massachusetts, visited Boston in February and entertained her nephew, Robert Wescott, a student at Northeastern University, Army Specialty Training Program.

Sympathy is extended to Helen R. Lade (1918), whose sister died on November 1, 1943, in the Buffalo General Hospital and her mother on January 9, 1944, in Toronto. Miss Lade's brother is interned in a prison camp.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Gustave Everberg (Frances A. Morton, 1915) on the death of her father in Mars Hill, Maine, on February 10, 1944.

Mrs. Canute B. Grainger (Lillian I. Lovely, 1910) writes that her husband is Director of a huge U.S.O. in Blackstone, Virginia; her elder son is a Staff Sergeant with the Quartermaster Department; her younger son is a 2nd Lieutenant with the rating of a pilot with the Army Air Forces; her son-in-law is a Commander in the Navy and is on the Staff of Admiral where he helps to plan advanced Air Fields in the Pacific for lend-lease Navy planes.

Lt. Marion Benyon (1941) A.N.C. is attached to the 16th Station Hospital in London.

Mrs. Paul Jones (Edna H. Harrison, 1910) has returned to her home in Milton, Massachusetts, after a month's trip to Beverly Hills, California.

Mrs. John B. Baurlein (Ethel W. Dudley, 1915) has resigned from the Cambridge Hospital, Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, and accepted a position at the Metropolitan State Hospital, Trapelo Road, Waltham, Massachusetts.

Emelyn O. Harlow (1928) has been detached from the 6th General Hospital for service in an Evacuation Hospital as an Anesthetist.

Friends of Leola T. White (1931) will be sorry to hear she has been a patient at the Baker Memorial for some weeks. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Sympathy is extended to Ruth E. Gedies (1925) on the death of her mother in January.

Mrs. John R. Pitman (Elizabeth M. Herrick, 1925) has been discharged from the Braintree Sanatorium, where she has been a patient for three years. She is at home, 509 Grove Street, South Braintree, Massachusetts. Her friends wish her continued good health.

Lt. Ardenia Greene, A.N.C. (Ardenia Abbott, 1930) is now stationed at the Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Texas, and having very busy days. Her sister Sylvia Abbott (1931) is stationed in New Guinea.

Mrs. Charles E. Jacob (Gwendolyn A. Pitman, 1921) is serving in a blood donor center in her home town, Three Rivers, Quebec, Canada.

Mary Alice Barron (1943) is a member of the operating room staff at the Phillips House.

Mrs. Edward Murphy (Grace L. Gurney, 1933) is Night Supervisor at the Phillips House, succeeding Margaret E. Ahern (1936) who has accepted a position in the Emergency Admitting Office of the Vanderbilt Clinic, New York City.

Mildred A. Ethier (1920) has been promoted to First Lieutenant A.N.C. and now stationed in New Zealand. She is medical chief supervisor of the 37th Station Hospital. Lt. Ethier is anxious to hear from her friends and sends the following address: A.P.O. 715 C/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Mrs. George A. Dorr (Helen R. Neal, 1908) was recently a patient at the Phillips House. Her son, Lt. George A. Dorr, is in North Africa, and a daughter is studying music at the New England Conservatory of Music.

Veteran nurses of Base Hospital No. 6 will be saddened to hear of the sudden death of one of its popular enlisted personnel, Robert C. Peterson, on February 20, 1944. They will recall "Pete" as being in charge of the Pharmacy at Talence.

May Rose Kelly Gullifer (1916) of New York, spent the month of January in Boston, nursing her invalid brother, James Kelly, who was then in the Boston City Hospital. On March 9th he died in a New York Veterans' Hospital. To his sisters, wife and small son we extend our sincere sympathy.

The following M.G.H. nurses are taking the one-year Public Health Course at Simmons College: Anne McKenzie (1941), Rita Bartlett (1942), Doris Robataille (1943).

Mrs. Herbert S. Irwin (Lucile Kalb, 1917) of Monrovia, California, sends this clipping from her home paper of December 3, 1943.

"At formal rites solemnized at 4 P.M. on the afternoon of December 2nd, in the Cathedral Chapel, Los Angeles, Joan O'Melveny, charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Malveny of Muirfield Road, Los Angeles, became the bride of Lieut. Wayland Lee Morrison of Duarte.

"The ceremony united two distinguished southland families, the bridegroom's parents being Dr. and Mrs. Wayland A. Morrison of Foothill Blvd., Duarte.

"The bride's only attendant was her sister Anne and Lieut. Morrison's brother Pvt. Richard Morrison, U.S.A., served as best man. The marriage service was read by the Rev. James Bowen. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the O'Melveny home.

"The popular young couple will leave shortly for Marfa, Texas, where Lieut. Morrison is stationed with the United States Army Air Force."

Dr. Morrison will be remembered as a house officer on the East Surgical service.

Ensign Marjorie F. Goldthwait (1936), A.N.C., writes that she is now enjoying life in England, stationed at the Navy Fleet Hospital. Much of her off-duty time is spent visiting historical places. Please address her mail to Fleet Post Office, New York, Navy 814.

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And as things have been, they remain.

And not by eastern windows only,
When daylight comes, comes in the light;
In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly!
But westward—look, the land is bright.

ARTHUR HUGH CLOUGH.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL STAFF HAS ENVIABLE EFFICIENCY RECORD

By MARTIN SHERIDAN

SOMEWHERE IN NORTH AFRICA (Delayed by Censorship)—While sipping a glass of cold white wine (price 5 cents) at an officers' club, I suddenly heard an unmistakable Boston accent above the buzz of voices and the lively notes of the orchestra. A few feet away stood a tall, lean Army major, discussing the news in an issue of the Boston Globe with another officer.

After I intruded politely, the major introduced himself as Henry H. Faxon, Medical Corps, 309 Warren Street, Brookline, chief of septic and plastic surgery at a general hospital in this city. The following day, Major Faxon introduced me to Colonel Thomas R. Goethals of 34 Hawthorn Road, Brookline, commanding the hospital and former obstetrician at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Scores of doctors, nurses and technicians from the M. G. H. comprise almost the entire staff of this hospital. The New England colony has named one area of this city "Kenmore Square" and even has a Beacon telephone exchange.

Staff Recruited Three Years Ago

Colonel Goethals, a chain cigar smoker who burns up from 16 to 20 cheroots daily, pointed out that his staff was recruited three years ago by the M. G. H. under authority granted in 1940 by the Surgeon General's office for certain hospitals to organize complete medical units for active service during war.

"Our unit was activated in May, 1942, and sent to Camp Blanding, Fla.," Colonel Goethals explained. "After completing our training we sailed to North Africa in January, 1943, and opened the present hospital immediately. We had imagined we would be living in tents and setting up our equipment in primitive surroundings and were pleasantly surprised to find several large buildings had been requisitioned by the Army for our use."

A former girls' college, a boys' school, a huge lumber warehouse and a former orphanage house the hospital proper. Chemical laboratories at the girls' institution became the hospital's labs. The girls' dormitory, which had small cubicles to give the students some degree of privacy, became a large ward for officers.

Unit Has Envable Record

The duties of a general hospital, in addition to giving medical and surgical care, include attempting to salvage as many men as possible for continued duty in the theatre of operations and to

evacuate to the zone of the interior any men thought unable to be readied for duty within 90 days. With topnotch doctors, the finest and most complete supply of drugs, medicines and other equipment, the general hospital here has achieved an excellent record. During one six-month period more than 7200 men were discharged. Only eight deaths were reported during that time (rate of 0.2 per cent) and most of them were victims of jeep and other accidents.

"Far fewer cases of infections of battle wounds have occurred than would have been deemed possible in 1917 and 1918," Colonel Goethals added. "The use of sulfa drugs and penicillin and additional chemo-therapy has had excellent results."

The administrative officers of the hospital include Colonel Goethals, Captain Thomas S. Hamilton of Truro, formerly assistant director at the M. G. H., and Lieutenant Karl R. Ottesen, adjutant. During my visit I also spoke with Major Grantley W. Taylor, 214 Buckminster Road, Brookline, chief of the orthopedic service, and Major Edward F. Bland, 242 Woodland Road, Brookline, assistant chief of medical service.

Major Doris Knights of Old Acres, Bedford, the principal chief nurse, is assisted by the following chief nurses: First Lieutenants Mary A. Canning, 159 Curve Street, East Dedham; Helen J. Coghlan, 11 Bates Road, Milton; Thelma B. Coggsell, 57 Fairlawn Avenue, Haverhill; Mary W. Kennedy, 16 Orients Court, Swampscott; Eleanor B. Pitman, 21 Clearwater Road, Brookline, and Marion Smith, 1565 Washington Street, West Newton.

March 28, 1944

SOMEWHERE IN NEW ZEALAND

Last Saturday ten of us went to a Maori regatta which took place about 50 miles from here. The event takes place only once a year and is attended by all the tribes from miles around so it was quite an occasion.

The King and Queen of England were represented by the Vice-Regal and his wife.

There were numerous noted personages in his party and of course they were greeted with all kinds of ceremony and escorted to seats of honor in front of the Maori King's house.

Then the speech making began on both sides; very flattering and flowery. The Maori King used an interpreter so we heard it both ways. After the speech making—which lasted some time—there was an entertainment put on in front of the palace, by native dancers. It was most amusing to watch the Maoris in the audience. Of course, they were all ages, from babes in arms to doddering

ancients. And you should have seen the costumes. The dancers were the only ones in true native regalia. The other tribal people thought they were dressed in the height of style and it was quite funny—, the costumes they would assemble. And most of them ended up with bedroom slippers on their feet. One woman was extremely proud of a breast-pin that was made out of an American silver dollar.

Most of the older women were tattooed. This is done mostly around the mouth. To them, it is a sign of great beauty.

There were people who evidently had not met for a long time, perhaps since the last regatta. They would shake hands and rub noses and you'd wonder how long that was going to last.

My chief-nurse and I stayed together during most of the day and met some very nice people. They all wanted to talk to some American nurses. An American naval officer came over and introduced himself, saying there were two New Zealand nurses who were very anxious to meet us, so over we went. One of them was a very lovely English girl and the other a charming Maori girl. She came from the highest class tribe and was well educated, speaking excellent English. They stayed with us all day.

After all the speech making it was lunch time. Of course the invited guests ate in the Palace and we of the common herd bought our food at a tent and sat down on the grass to eat. We ate the English food which consisted of meat-pastries, sandwiches, cake and tea.

The native food was served in little reed baskets which contained pork, potatoes and corn. It didn't appeal to me—, and, besides, they aren't of our sanitation.

After the meal hour the regatta began on the river. First, they had a parade of war canoes. They are really beautiful. Very long and narrow and lie low on the water. I should say they sat forty rowers, two abreast. They have a high prow decorated with white feathers and a high stern with what looks like a horse's tail streaming out behind. The rowers' rhythm at the oars is something Harvard might envy. Many of the native rowers were loathe to leave the fun on shore and they had difficulty in filling the last canoe. So finally, they said anyone who wanted to could row. It wasn't long before the canoe was manned by American soldiers—and did the crowd cheer. They were pretty awful at first but soon an old Maori stood up and beat time to them and then did they row! They came in second. I don't know now whether it was Maori courtesy or if they really earned it. But they certainly tickled the fancy of every one present.

They had all kinds of races but the best of all was the canoe hurdle race. The hurdles were logs about a foot above the water

and there were three. The canoes resemble our racing-shells except that they are hollowed out and seem to be made from one log. There were two men to a canoe. They rowed like mad and as they came to the hurdle the bow of the canoe went up over and stuck up in the air. If they had speed enough it went past the middle of the canoe, the rowers rushed to the front and tipped it so that the canoe slid over the hurdle and of course they had to balance it so that it would not nose-dive to the bottom. It had to be timed perfectly and you should have seen the mishaps. There were many tipped canoes and ducked oarsmen and much laughter on shore as well as on the river.

In between each race there were tribal dances given by people in native costumes, on a large barge anchored out in the river. It was a contest to see which tribe could dance best and the rivalry brought out quite a spectacle.

The regatta lasted till 5 P.M. with something doing every minute.

Afterwards, our little Maori friend took us to the Princess's house for tea which was quite an honor as it was only for the invited guests. The tables were laden with all kinds of fancy frosted cakes and assorted sandwiches and you just wandered around and ate as much as you wanted. Nobody cared. The more you ate the more you showed your appreciation.

The house was like a museum of Maori art. It was a large room, the woodwork painted red with black and white trimming and inlaid white shells. And the wood was carved, every inch of it, with Maori figures. There were rugs and throws of fur and feathers all over the place and all kinds of carved stones. We signed the guest-book along with the Vice-Regal party.

Some day!

Sunday, three of us nurses were invited to go deep sea fishing with a New Zealander and his family. I'll tell you what I wore and I'm sure you'll get a kick out of it. My long-legged unionsuit that I hunted all over Boston for, snuggies and shirt over that, knee high woolen socks, woolen sweater, zoot suit, high shoes, windbreaker jacket, rain coat and knitted cap. I was none too warm but had a hard time climbing into the boat from the tender on a wind-tossed sea. It rained and blew a gale and the waves broke right over the boat. I was the only female to get on board and they soon ordered me off as they were afraid of the storm that was coming. And what a ride I had back to shore. But it was fun. And what an appetite!! I ate from then on till 6 P.M. It got to be a joke after a while but I guess they liked it for I am invited back again.

You'll never know how much letters mean away out here. 'Tis our only connection with home and we sure look forward to

mail-call. Days go by with nothing at all and then we are a sad lot. If the people back home only knew how much mail means to us, they would try a little harder, I am sure.

MILDRED ETHIER (1920).

CAMBRIDGE NURSE TELLS OF GRUELLING BUNA TASK

(This description of a nurse's life in New Guinea was written by 1st Lt. Helen Oakes Chadbourne of Cambridge and Gloucester, now stationed in Australia. She has been overseas since April, 1942.—Ed.)

By LT. HELEN OAKES CHADBOURNE, A.N.C.

(AP)—The Japanese were only 40 miles from our hospital and the Buna campaign was at its height. Battle casualties were pouring into surgery. Screeching brakes of the ambulances could be heard as they stopped to discharge the wounded.

Day to Remember

My first day on duty will long be remembered. Never in my life have I seen such a mass of suffering humanity—and never have I worked harder than in the ward which housed the most serious casualties. There were 10 cots on each side of the tent and in them were soldiers ranking from privates to colonels.

Lt. Catherine Demarias and I worked together, she starting at one end and I at the other. We went down the line, bathing bodies, dressing wounds, administering treatment, assisting with infusions of blood, plasma, or saline solutions and changing beds.

Shortly after 8 o'clock that evening we finished our last patient. The most gratifying part of the day came when a noticeable difference could be seen in the morale of our men. From solemn, drawn faces, we began to see flickers of smiles. As the days passed the improvement in their mental as well as physical condition was really thrilling to witness.

Most of our bathing and laundry was done by using canvas buckets. A shower was available two hours each day and those two hours were comparable only to bargain day at Filene's basement. The water supply was ample, however, after construction of a reservoir.

Most of the first two months we worked 12 and 14 hours daily, seven days a week. Night after night we were up time and again for air raids. Many times we knew fear when Zeros roared overhead and shrapnel dropped among us.

Life Enriched

I remember one raid at two in the morning while I was on night duty. One of my patients was seriously ill with scrub typhus and also was suffering from a neurosis caused by bombings. At the first sound of ack-ack he began trembling. We were administering oxygen to him. I stood at his bedside holding his hand and assuring him there was no danger despite the fact that shrapnel was falling in every direction. If one piece had struck the oxygen tank probably both of us would have been killed.

Following the Buna campaign we were assigned to eight-hour duty. The hours, however, may vary according to the number of patients and available nursing staff. Night duty is always 12 hours, and lasts for a period of not longer than two weeks, as the heat of the tropics does not permit adequate sleep during the day.

Night nurses, in most areas, try to sleep in grass huts where the temperature is from 10 to 30 degrees cooler. Many of our tents were unscreened for a time. While one sat at a packing box writing reports, mosquitoes and about every other form of insect imaginable swarmed about, getting into the nose, ears and mouth and nearly drove one frantic.

Our nurses have and will continue to carry on. They have seen the tortures of war, known fear, faced hardships and made many sacrifices, and in the midst of it all have had a little fun.

I don't believe there is one nurse who would exchange this experience for anything, nor is there one who could deny that her life has been enriched.

—*Boston Traveler.*

2507 Gulford Road
Cleveland Heights (18) Ohio
May 1, 1944

Dear Friends:

Since World War I, when I had temporary duty with the M. G. H. Unit in France and permanent duty with the Wisconsin Unit Base 22 near Bordeaux, I did no nursing at all. Then when World War II came along I taught Home Nursing for the Red Cross thinking it was all I could manage and care for my home and family, but decided it wasn't enough—that I would really go back and work at a hospital. I started out working one day a week, but soon changed to five days a week, working from 9 to 4, as a floor nurse at the University Hospitals, Cleveland, on the Gyn. service—and I love it, and proved what I always believed—that a nurse never really forgets and I soon felt like a veteran.

Our eldest daughter, Margaret, after graduating from Oberlin College and working for six months as a chemist in a war plant, joined the Cadet Nurse Corps last October, and is now a student nurse at the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing, and may I add, is as enthusiastic as her mother has always been.

Our next daughter, Annette, is a junior at the University of Washington in Seattle, and is majoring in Political Science.

Our son, Frank, went to Harvard where he joined the Enlisted Reserve at 18, then volunteered for the Paratroop Engineers. He is now a Sergeant and is overseas.

Our youngest daughter, Constance Jerry, is a freshman at the University of Wisconsin. She also is majoring in Political Science.

Frederick England, our nephew (son of my husband's eldest sister) who is like our own son, came to live with us just before war broke out from his home in Manila (his mother is now a prisoner of war in Manila). He too went to Harvard, joined the Enlisted Reserve at 18, and is now at a camp in Texas.

So at the moment, just my husband and I are keeping the home fires burning. Oh yes, I must not forget Happy, the dog, who is decidedly one of the family. His job is greeting me when I return to an empty house after work and keeping my morale high.

The dear old M. G. H. has always held a very special place in my affection.

Sincerely,

CONSTANCE HOYT POWELL (1917).

2nd Lt. Linda B. Burgess, A.N.C.
N-741671 6th General Hospital
A.P.O. 764 New York City
May 11, 1944

Dear Miss McCrae:

Thanks for your letter of April 27. It is always nice to hear from you and you never fail to write many interesting bits that others seem to overlook. Several of the nurses read your letter and they, too, thought it most interesting. All asked to be remembered to you. We shall never forget your good teaching, and we often mention you.

There isn't much news that I can tell you of us. We all seem to be very healthy and reasonably happy. We have been quite busy for some time.

We have used penicillin with excellent results. Dr. Cope's talk at the Alumnae must have been instructive and interesting. I consider him an excellent teacher.

The climate here is fine. The flowers and foliage are beautiful, and there are a great number of birds about, singing and chirping merrily. I think we are very lucky to be stationed in so comfortable a place.

Our hospital runs along very smoothly. The patients are cheerful and appreciative of our efforts. They are cooperative and helpful too.

Miss Knights is doing a fine job. Miss Pitman too, is very helpful. The general atmosphere is commendable. The morale is unusually good too.

Do write again soon. We all enjoy your letters.

Take care of yourself.

My love to you,

L. BURGESS (1930).

Another cheery word has come from Pvt. William J. Murphy. He is with an evacuation hospital, and his letter of March 30, addressed to the Telephone Operators at the Hospital, was sent from the Anzio Beachhead:—

Hello Girls! Suppose none of you will remember me. Anyhow, I'm the fellow who used to say "Orthopedic, Bill," when the phone rang. Since last seeing you folks a little over a year ago, a lot has happened and I've done a lot of travelling. All the way across Africa and part way up the boot of Italy to this darn beachhead, where it always seems to be open season on evacuation hospitals. Visited Casablanca, Constantine, Carthage, Tunis, Bizerte, and several other cities in Africa. The Arabs can have it all.

In Italy I have seen some of the cities, Pompeii, and of course Vesuvius, Naples, and for a while wasn't far from Cassino. Those places are all fine, but to me right now Chelsea on the day they collect the ashes would be a heavenly sight. One day I climbed about 7 or 8 miles straight up the side of a mountain to see a monastery.

From time to time I run into some of the MGH boys. Major Simeone and his Colonel. Heard a lot about Captain Jergesen and his work. Was very close to him several times and didn't know it was he. Major Grantley Taylor visited with us not long ago. Wasn't too far from Captain Giddings when he was hit, and helped put him on the O.R. table.

I'm still Pvt. last class, and it looks like that is to be my rank for the duration. Do almost the same work as at home, only more of it. When our loud speaker pages the different doctors, I often think of you people. Hope you are all well.

Sincerely,

"BILL."

THE NURSING INFORMATION BUREAU

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April 15, 1944

Student Enrollments in Nursing Schools

A total of 112,249 student nurses were enrolled in the 1,307 state accredited schools of nursing in the country on January 1, 1944, an increase of nearly 12,000 over the number enrolled in 1943 and more than 20,000 over 1942, according to a study just completed by the Department of Studies of the National League of Nursing Education and reported in the May 1944 *American Journal of Nursing*.

Although the number of state accredited nursing schools has decreased from 1,472 in 1935 to 1,307 in 1944, the size of the average school has steadily grown. In 1935 the average school had 48 students; in 1944 it has 86, an increase of 79 per cent.

May 15, 1944

Army Nurse Corps Strength to be 50,000

The authorized strength of the Army Nurse Corps has been established at 50,000, according to an announcement of the War Department reported in the May 1944 issue of *Public Health Nursing* and in the June 1944 *American Journal of Nursing*.

This is a ceiling. Actual appointment of nurses will be determined by the needs of the Army in relation to casualties, and by the rate civilian nurses are declared available by the Procurement and Assignment Service of the War Manpower Commission.

"The needs of the Medical Department fluctuate with the needs of the Army," Major General Norman Kirk, Surgeon General, U. S. Army has stated. "The needs of the Army depend on the number of casualties and the number of casualties cannot be known until we have met the enemy for the last time."

Relocation of Private Duty Nurses

One hundred private duty nurses in one city, classified available for military service or for relocation by their local Procurement and Assignment Committees, have left the private duty field since last October, according to the article, "One Hundred Who Were Private Duty Nurses" in the June 1944 *American Journal of Nursing*, to take essential nursing positions or go into military service.

"Thirty-five entered military service ; 31, general staff duty in hospitals ; 22 industrial nursing ; 6 are in doctors' offices ; 2 are in the Red Cross Blood Bank ; 3 in nursing education and one is in other essential nursing work at the Juvenile Detention Home."

"Every one of the interviewed nurses in these groups agrees that in many instances private duty nurses are essential and that there will always be a place for the private duty nurse. On the other hand, each one felt that she personally was more satisfied in her present position than she had been in private duty."



Ten points to remember, in helping patients deformed or crippled by war injuries to regain emotional stability and "focus attention on what is left instead of on what is lost" are listed by Major Walter E. Barton in "Healthy Attitude Toward War injuries" in the February *Public Health Nursing* magazine as follows :



1. Preserve an attitude of normality. The disabled person should be treated as though there is nothing intrinsically different about him as a result of his handicap.



2. Be natural. A natural manner that one would bring to a normal person is all that is necessary.



3. Face the reality of the disability. Create within the patient a willingness to face the fact of his limitation.



4. Ignore the deformity. Let no horror or sorrow appear in the face or manner of the person in contact with the deformity.



5. Reassure the handicapped. Help the soldier concentrate on the determination to get well and on the determination to overcome the loss.



6. Restore his faith in his ability. The martyr's attitude may be noble but it doesn't bring much happiness to the individual.

7. Continue social living. Encourage the patient to resume social contacts after he returns to his own home.



8. Give the patient a job to do. Work is associated in our minds with health.



9. Keep a balance in life. In order to maintain mental health, some work, some play, some rest should be a part of every day.



10. Stress the importance of beauty of spirit. The handicapped person who has overcome his disability carries a great message to those who feel overburdened by life's many tribulations.



PEDIATRICS

A series of lectures were given during March and April at the Massachusetts General Hospital by the Committee of the Massachusetts League of Nursing Education which is working toward better correlation of field work for student nurses in the Care and Understanding of the Well Child. Other objectives were to stimulate general interest in Pediatrics and in the study of the child as an individual.

One hundred and forty-six nurses and representatives of the various fields working with children registered and attended the course. It is interesting to note that attendance included:

Public Health Nurses	41
Pediatric Supervisors and Instructors	11
Pediatric Head Nurses	23
State Inspectors of Nursing Schools	2
Superintendents and Office Assistants	9
Graduate Student, Simmons and Boston University	21
Foster Mothers of Children's Mission	5
Social Service Workers	4
Doctors	1
Nursery School Teachers	7
Nursery School Students	1
School Nurse	1
Housewife	1
Instructor from Boston University	1

The following items are reprinted from the Massachusetts General Hospital "News" of May, 1944:—

In the midst of a blizzard on March 20th, the Ladies' Visiting Committee celebrated its 75th Anniversary by giving a small tea in the Medical Staff Room in the Bulfinch Building. Past and present members of the Committee were joined by the Trustees, clinical heads, and others of the Hospital family with whom the L.V.C. has been associated.

In 1869 a committee was appointed by the Trustees to consider the question of "appointing female visitors to the female wards." In such manner the L.V.C. came into being. The scope of its work has grown tremendously and, although the primary interest of its members is in visiting the patients, there are now many activities under their supervision.

At this anniversary tea a paper written by Mrs. Arthur D. Hill and Mrs. Richard Hale was read by the latter, giving the history and personal reminiscences of the work of the Committee. Both Mrs. Hale and Mrs. Hill have been members for forty years.

Mention of this celebration would be incomplete without speaking of the cake with its 75 lighted candles, which was made by Mr. Becker, the Hospital baker. On it was a remarkable sepia painting of the Bulfinch Building—done in cocoa! Mrs. Lown, of the Photography Laboratory, took candid pictures of the gathering, which will serve as a permanent record of the occasion.

Bishop Sherrill made a few timely remarks in conclusion—and the L.V.C. starts towards completion of a full century of service.

Commissioned Rank for Army and Navy Nurses

Actual rank "during the war and for six months thereafter or until such time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President by proclamation may designate," has been granted Navy nurses under the Act (HR 2976) which was signed by the President on February 26, 1944.

The "Army bill—" (HR 3761) providing permanent commissioned rank to Army nurses is still pending.

Efforts to secure passage of the Army bill are strongly supported by the American Nurses' Association, which has sent copies of the bill to all state nurses' associations with the urgent request that they obtain the interest of their Congressmen without delay, in favor of the bill.

The history of the Army and Navy bills and of the ANA's support in their behalf is discussed in the editorial "Rank for Nurses—and the ANA" in the April 1944 *American Journal of Nursing*.

THE ALUMNAE

THE ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SICK RELIEF ASSOCIATION
of the
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL
NURSES' ALUMNAE

This is our 35th annual meeting. I am pleased to report that our membership continues to grow in spite of the large number of Massachusetts General Hospital graduates who today receive any necessary sick benefits from Uncle Sam.

We are now 236 members, an increase of 14 over last year. 13 full and 8 partial benefits were paid during the year, amounting to \$1,460.03, leaving a balance on hand of \$21,319.76.

We are pleased with what has been accomplished, but hope to see an even greater increase in membership next year. We think no member of the Alumnae Association, especially those who are self supporting, should fail to take advantage of the benefits offered by the Sick Relief Association. Income usually ceases during an illness. The knowledge that one is eligible for a benefit of \$10.00 a week up to \$80.00, may lessen worry during illness and make it possible to take the time necessary for convalescence.

I regret to report the loss through death of Miss Jean Fraser, who was a member of the Sick Relief Association from 1911. Miss Fraser was for many years Superintendent of the Vincent Hospital until it closed in 1942.

Miss Charlotte Perry, whose death occurred a few weeks ago, although not a member at the time of her death, was a charter member of the Sick Relief Association and served for a number of years as an officer and as a member of the Executive Committee.

I again wish to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their support and able assistance during the past year. Whatever progress we have made is due to their interest and efforts.

ALVIRA B. STEVENS, *President.*

**MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES
ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION****March Meetings**

Five members of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association held their monthly meeting in Walcott House Class Room on March 24, 1944 at 8 P.M.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted.

Standing committees for the year were reported complete with one exception.

Miss McCarten, who attended the tea given annually by District 5 for alumnae officers, reported that one point of discussion was fluctuating membership while nurses are in service.

A list of applicants for membership were approved.

The important business of the evening was approval of the budget as presented by the Finance Committee.

It will be remembered that resident membership in the Alumnae Association automatically makes one a member of the district, state, and national organization, because there is a fixed division of the membership fee made by the treasurers of these organizations according to their by-laws. For a long time the ANA's share of our 4.50 was just .50, but at the last biennial in May 1942, this was increased to a badly needed .75. This increase of .25 meant that our alumnae treasurer would now have to pay out 2.75 to higher organizations where she had paid 2.50 before.

After some discussion it was agreed that the Alumnae Association could absorb the difference of .25 per member for at least one year and then ask for a recommendation from the Finance Committee. Thus for 1943 and 1944 our dues have remained 4.50, and the Alumnae Association has retained only 1.75 from the fee paid by each resident member. Meanwhile expenses have risen, especially those for printing, and resident membership has suffered from the enrollment in service of many nurses. At the present time current receipts are not large enough to pay our bills until 1945 dues begin to be received in October. Hence in preparing the budget for 1944 the Finance Committee has

1. authorized the treasurer to draw up to \$300 from savings to meet an expected deficit ;
2. recommended an increase in dues from 4.50 to 5.00 for resident members and for non-resident and associate members to 2.25 from 2.00.

This increase not only would provide the extra .25 we now pay the ANA through the state association, but would give the Alumnae Association .25 to meet its own rising expenses.

A change in dues involves a change in by-laws, which requires a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice of the change has been mailed to each member at least ten days previous to the meeting, Article XII, Section 1. Since the Finance Committee did not meet in time for this to be done before the March meeting, a vote can not be taken until the April meeting, unless discussion at the March meeting should result in a unanimous vote. Article XII, Section 2 provides that the by-laws may be amended at any meeting without previous notice by unanimous vote of all present. This section was used a few years ago on the advice of Miss Carrie Hall, when there was need of quick action. It is the opinion of the directors that on this present occasion printing and paper could be saved if all members present at the March meeting are agreed that an increase in dues is a necessary step.

The meeting adjourned before 9 P.M.

GRACE PARKER FOLLETT, *Recording Secretary.*

The monthly business meeting of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association was held in Walcott House Class Room on Tuesday, March 28, 1944 at 8:15 P.M. The attendance was small.

The Second Vice-President took the chair in the absence of the President and Vice-President. Since the Treasurer was also absent, the reports of both Secretary and Treasurer were read by the Secretary.

Applications for membership were accepted.

The budget, including authorization for the Treasurer to draw not more than \$300 from savings to meet a deficit, was accepted as submitted by the Finance Committee.

By unanimously voting that dues be increased to 5.00 for resident and 2.25 for non-resident or associate membership, in accordance with a recommendation of the Finance Committee, the members present made it possible to change the by-laws in this regard without sending previous notice in writing. Article IV, Section 1 shall now read: "The annual dues for resident members shall be 5.00 each, including District dues of 2.75, payable in advance in October for the next calendar year. District dues include dues to the Massachusetts State Nurses Association, and to the American Nurses Association." Article IV, Section 2 shall read: "The annual dues for non-resident and for associate members shall be 2.25 each."

Miss Johnson informed us that a memorial to Miss Winifred Brooks is being planned at the Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield, where she was Superintendent of Nurses for many years. She was one of our alumnae.

Mrs. Evangeline Morris, a graduate of the Yale School of Nursing and a faculty member of Simmons College, spoke on the effect of war on social hygiene in the United States. Since many were unable to attend her splendid talk, a rather full account will be sent to the June *Quarterly Record*.

GRACE PARKER FOLLETT, *Recording Secretary*.

Mrs. Evangeline Morris, well known to our students at Simmons College, spoke before the March alumnae meeting on social hygiene in wartime. She began by giving some statistics on the prevalence of syphilis amongst the first two million men inducted into the armed forces in this present war. In Florida 171 out of every 1000 men were found infected; in Maine 15-29 were infected; in the rest of New England 6-14 were infected, which is a rate distinctly below the average for the country as a whole.

Mrs. Morris summarized the good results of war upon a program for social hygiene as follows:

1. For the first time in this country, there has been a united plan of action against prostitution, in which the United States Public Health Service, the Army and Navy, the Social Hygiene Association, all state health departments, and many city police departments cooperate.

2. Trailers as migratory sources of infection—modern equivalent of camp followers—have been outlawed near army camps.

3. There has been an impetus to educational programs in sex hygiene and genito-infectious diseases. The Navy program stresses moral prophylaxis, mechanical prophylaxis, and reporting after exposure for prompt chemical prophylaxis. Civilian organizations like the Public Affairs Committee have released a great deal of literature in the form of pamphlets and posters which are attractively made to interest and instruct boys and girls of high school age.

4. Exciting work is being done in the improvement of means of treatment and diagnosis of syphilis and gonorrhea. It appears that penicillin may cure gonorrhea in a matter of hours and shows promise in syphilis as well. At the present time the United States has forty rapid treatment centers, where infected young women are sent for care. One great lack at such centers is in programs for social service and rehabilitation.

5. There is general realization that our record in the past was not good enough.

Mrs. Morris explained the importance of the May Act, passed in the summer of 1941, which enables the Federal government to step in and clean up any district where the local government is ineffective. The fact that this act has been invoked only twice bears

witness to its power in winning the cooperation of local authorities.

Some information about the first hundred girls taken in charge under the May Act is enlightening. More than half of these girls were under age. Fifteen had never been to school a day; twenty-five had not completed the sixth grade; twenty-seven completed the sixth grade; twenty-five completed the eighth grade; seven entered high school; one girl out of that hundred was a high school graduate. Yet these girls were not all dull. Though fifty-seven were morons, eleven were borderline, and sixteen were dull normal, eight were of superior intelligence. One who had an I. Q. of 138 had completed either the third or fourth grade and had lived in eleven foster homes. There was a general lack of good physical condition in the group; they were malnourished, needed dental attention, tonsillectomies, glasses, and so on.

Mrs. Morris spoke of problems other than that of infection. Children in their mid-teens sometimes give as their reason for going about with sailors at late hours that they "want to be patriotic." There is some disorganization of family life resulting from participation in wartime activities by all members of the group, and this is sometimes as true in comfortable homes as in the slums. The speaker gave one sad example of a boy who could not ask his mother for permission to go to a show because he had no idea which of her volunteer jobs she would be doing that day.

The part of nurses, said Mrs. Morris in conclusion, is to be well informed and not to believe that all problems in social hygiene will be solved by the coming of peace.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.

2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

6. For the Loan Fund to Miss Katherine Pierce, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Massachusetts.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Abbott, Sylvia	1931 Army	Cousins, Helene E.	1938 Army
Allen, Margaret Hazen ..	1936 Army	Cox, Christine	1942 Army
Armstrong, Kathleen	1938 Navy	Crafts, Eleanor B.	1932 Army
Atto, Kathleen	1922 Army	Cree, Edna	1928 Army
Ayer, Dorothy	1940 Army		
		Davis, E. Jacqueline	1932 Army
Babcock, Grace R.	1939 Army	Davis, Natalie	1928 Army
Barrett, Katherine C.	1938 Army	Dervin, Margaret	1932 Army
Barton, Goldie	1926 Army	DeWolf, Mary	1943 Army
Barton, Rowena	1934 Army	Donahue, Josephine	1941 Army
Bean, Esther M.	1934 Army	Dow, Miriam Atwood ...	1924 Army
Beardwood, Gladys	1925 Army	Drowlet, Velma A.	1939 Army
Beaudette, Laurianne	1937 Army	Duffy, Dorothy	1939 Army
Beatham, Sybil	1938 Army	Dumaine, Betty	1926 A.R.C.
Belisle, Beatrice	1941 Army	Durning, Virginia	1943 Army
Benedict, Rebecca	1937 Army	Dwyer, Mary Edwina ...	1942 Army
Benyon, Marion	1941 Army		
Binns, Julia	1940 Army	Eaton, Caroline	1933 Army
Bitzer, Barbara	1936 Army	Ellinwood, Doris	1925 Army
Blaney, Evelyn M.	1928 Army	Emerson, Edna	1936 Army
Bourne, Constance E.	1938 Army	Emery, Margaret	1936 Army
Bowers, Marjorie	1931 Army	Ethier, Mildred	1920 Army
Boyce, Gula	1928 Army	Eveleth, Annette L.	1928 Army
Boyle, Rita	1941 Army		
Briggs, Cleora	1942 Army	Farrant, Helen A.	1930 Army
Brandon, Geraldine	1938 Army	Farrar, Priscilla	1942 Navy
Brebbia, Mary E.	1935 Army	Forand, Avis Louise	1942 Army
Brooks, Jessie H.	1933 Army	Forbes, Pauline C.	1929 Army
Bruno, Carmela	1942 Army	Ford, Anna	1942 Army
Burgess, Linda	1930 Army	Forgey, Grace Riordan..	1933 Army
Burns, Helen Phyllis	1943 Army	Fraser, Mary A.	1938 Army
Buckley, Elizabeth	1942 Navy		
Butcher, Edith J.	1941 Army	Gardner, Grace E.	1932 Navy
		Gardner, Ruth G.	1938 Navy
Canning, Mary A.	1923 Army	Gates, Evelyn	1942 Army
Cape, Jacqueline	1943 Navy	Giberti, Florence L.	1929 Army
Cardinali, Inez V.	1942 Army	Gianarakos, Anastasia	1941 Army
Carpenter, Mary L.	1940 Army	Goethal, Yvonne	1939 Army
Carr, Kathryn	1942 Army	Goldthwait, Marjorie F. ...	1936 Navy
Casey, Mary L.	1941 Army	Graham, Helen K.	1942 Navy
Chadbourne, Helen O. ...	1932 Army	Greene, Ardenia Abbott ...	1930 Army
Chrystal, Dorothy M.	1928 Army	Gredzinski, Helen	1940 Navy
Clark, Alice	1939 Army	Guillemette, Loretta	1940 Army
Coghlan, Helen J.	1928 Army		
Coffey, Eileen	1938 Army	Haddon, Ruth	1939 Army
Coggswell, Thelma B. ...	1926 Army	Haley, Blanche	1930 Army
Convelski, Stephanie	1933 Army	Halladay, Hazel	1930 Army
Conza, Ermine	1920 Army	Halekas, Garyfallia	1942 Army
Coolidge, Mary C.	1927 Army	Hansis, Evelyn	1939 Army
Cooper, Jean	1942 Army	Hardy, Amanda B.	1926 Army
Corthell, Beatrice M.	1922 Army	Harlow, Evelyn C.	1928 Army
Corcoran, Alice M.	1934 Army	Harper, Marjorie	1931 Army

Hartnett, Helen V.	1941 Army	Mears, Ann	1942 Army
Hartnett, Marguerite E.	1943 Navy	Meilleur, Winona	1941 Army
Hathaway, Ruth	1938 Army	Moles, Dorothy I.	1933 Army
Hewitt, Helen G.	1935 Army	Monaghan, Genevieve	1941 Army
Hollister, Louise H.	1933 Army	Moore, Anna E.	1940 Army
Holmes, Isabel	1941 Army	Moore, Anna L.	1941 Army
Holt, Cynthia	1941 Army	Moore, Christine H.	1929 Army
Holt, Norma Nesmith ..	1942 Army	Mosher, Louise G.	1936 Army
Horton, Ruth	1941 Army	Mulholland, Anna	1941 Army
Hoyt, Ruth	1929 Navy	Munroe, Barbara	1942 Navy
Hussey, Edwina	1937 Army		
		Nason, Eleanor	1942 Navy
James, Doris	1942 Army	Nelson, Earlyne	1942 Army
Jarvis, Katherine	1940 Army	Nelson, Margaret	1933 Army
Jensen, Barbara	1939 Navy	Newcomb, Ruth	1942 Navy
Jewell, Martha	1941 Army	Nickerson, Dorothy A. ...	1938 Army
Johnson, Elsie	1937 Army		
Johnson, Harriet L.	1941 Army	O'Brien, Margaret	1943 Army
Kearns, Muriel	1936 Navy	O'Leary, Rita E.	1941 Army
Kellogg, Violet	1941 Army	Oosting, Minnie	1943 Army
Kerzick, Mildred	1934 Army	Ottley, Jean	1941 Army
Kimball, Martha	1941 Navy		
King, Evelyn V.	1938 Army	Passios, Alexandria	1942 Army
Knight, Doris	1931 Army	Penniman, Ruth F.	1926 Army
Koziol, Genevieve	1943 Army	Pentecost, Claire	1940 Navy
Krook, Elsie	1932 Army	Peterson, Barbara E.	1939 Army
		Piippo, Regina Arline	1941 Navy
Lanouette, Naomi	1927 Army	Pitman, Eleanor	1925 Army
Lawrence, Ruth	1931 Army	Plant, Eunice	1938 Army
Lord, Elizabeth W.	1932 Navy	Pritchard, Anna E.	1940 Army
Lowney, Carolyn	1941 Army		
Luby, Lillian L.	1940 Army	Quinn, Mary	1943 Army
Lunt, Louine M.	1930 Army		
Lyons, Catherine E.	1934 Army	Reardon, Mary F.	1940 Army
		Reed, Carolyn Hayward ..	1922 Army
MacNeill, Hazel W.	1935 Army	Renn Elsie G.	1941 Army
MacSwain, Mary C.	1929 Army	Rein, Rita F.	1934 Navy
Madden, Philipmena	1941 Army	Roberts, Jean	1943 Army
Mahoney, Margaret F. ...	1937 Army	Rose, Eunice	1929 Army
Mansfield, Shirley	1943 Navy	Ross, Jean Perin	1943 Army
Mather, Jean T.	1941 Navy	Russell, Alice G.	1941 Army
Maxwell, Barbara E.	1932 Army		
May, Marjorie	1938 Army	Sarad, Julia	1942 Navy
McCabe, Kathryn L.	1936 Army	Sears, Virginia L.	1941 Army
McCullough, Ethel	1937 Army	Shaw, Helen D.	1929 Army
McDonald, Jeannette C. ...	1941 Army	Sheldon, Lilla	1942 Army
McDonnell, Frances C. ...	1939 Army	Sherer, Louise C.	1941 Army
McDonnell, Rose C.	1935 Army	Simpson, Phyllis Louise ..	1942 Navy
McGarry, Catherine	1934 Army	Slattery, Ethel M.	1929 Army
McGlynn, Dorothy F.	1932 Army	Sloper, Lucia W.	1939 Army
McKee, Anna M.	1937 Army	Smith, Phyllis	1942 Navy
McKee, Kathleen M.	1921 Army	Smith, Ruth Myers	1942 Army
McKenzie, Anne	1941 Army	Southway, Doris Car-	
McKinnon, Christine A. ...	1928 Army	penter	1922 Army
McLellan, Bessie	1932 Army	Staats, Mary H.	1937 Navy
McMorran, Frances	1942 Army	Stacey, Eleanor C.	1933 Army

Steele, Marie Elsie	1943	Army	Wilcox, Chloe D.	1935	Army
Stoney, Dorothy	1929	Army	Wilkins, Mary	1940	Army
Sweeney, Mary	1941	Army	Willis, Irene E.	1941	Army
			Wilson, Margaret E.	1938	Navy
Thigpen, Loran	1943	Army	Wilson, Mary E.	1935	Army
Tinkham, Anna L.	1940	Army	Wright, Elizabeth Upton	1927	Army
Tolman, Madeline A.	1933	Army	Wright, Helen Elizabeth	1941	Army
Townsend, Lois	1932	Army	Wrigley, Nellie	1939	Army
Triggs, Grace	1941	Navy			
			Yancey, Alice	1941	Army
White, Alice M.	1930	Army	Zagorin, Libby	1941	Army
Whittier, Eva	1932	Army			

Engagements

Jeanette Hadley (1942) to Lt. Frank R. Conant, U.S.M.C.R., now stationed at the Marine Air Station, Cherry Point, North Carolina.

Mary E. McCarthy (1939) to Dr. Peter W. Wheeler of Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Eleanor Laurence Smith (1940) to Lt. Charles Titus Cady, U.S.A. of Nashville, Tennessee.

Ethel Virginia Davis (1942) to Mr. Clarence H. Philbrok of Fremont, New Hampshire.

Marriages

Marion Agnes Marchetti (1941) to Ensign John L. Landgraf, September 11, 1943.

Marie Natalie Macy (1942) to Mr. Valdimir Bergmann, on December 29, 1943, in New York City.

Edith Kelsey (1940) to Mr. Glenn Burdette Bernard, on March 31, 1944, at Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mildred Sweet (1922) to Mr. Henry McGrath on April 22, 1944, in Kings Chapel, Boston. Mr. and Mrs. McGrath will make their home at 20 Buckman Street, Waban, Massachusetts.

Sallie Whitcomb (1937) to Mr. Conn Price on April 8, 1944, at the West Side Christian Church, San Francisco, California.

Margaret Cooley Lyons (1922) to Mr. Iver Carl Johnson on April 22, 1944, in the Swedish Lutheran Church, Chicago, Illinois.

Mary E. McCarthy (1939) to Dr. Peter W. Wheeler.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Platt (Edith Whitehouse, 1930) announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Mary Louise, on February 24, 1944, at the Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. William Estes (Helen B. Middleditch, 1943) announce the birth of a son, James William, on March 5, 1944, in Alexandria Bay, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Holmes (Genevieve Baker, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Roger Franklin, on March 17, 1944, in Lansing, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collins (Isabel Horan, 1928) announce the birth of a son, Halsey Bingham, on April 4, 1944, at the Women's Hospital, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning E. Carien (Viola D. Lind, 1930) announce the birth of a son, John Lind, on April 17, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William Herlihy (Hope Sullivan, 1943) announce the birth of a son, Michael, on April 18, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Benson (Alice Gustafson, 1933) announce the birth of a son, Paul David, on April 23, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Ray (Ebba Marie Rudine, 1941) announce the birth of a son, William S. Ray, Jr., on May 11, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony F. Lomartin (Martha Thayer, 1937) announce the birth of a son, James Thayer Lomartin, on May 22, 1944.

In Memoriam

SUSAN M. LAWRENCE

Susan M. Lawrence (1883), died at her home in East Northfield, Massachusetts, on March 15, 1944. After her graduation from the Training School, she did private nursing, was superintendent of the Rochester, North Carolina, City Hospital and also worked with Dr. S. Weir Mitchell in Philadelphia. Miss Lawrence had lived in Northfield for the past fifty years; she was active in the Community life and gave generously towards the work of her Church. "Failing in health, she was kindly disposed and loved by all."

ELLEN M. SELBY

Miss Ellen M. Selby (1915) passed on in Los Gatos, California, May 15, 1944, after a severe attack of influenza which developed into pneumonia. Miss Selby had made good friends in Los Gatos and she wrote Miss Parsons that she had a fine nurse caring for her. After her graduation from the Massachusetts General Hospital School for Nursing, Miss Selby became the successful superintendent of the Pawtucket Memorial Hospital and brought it to a high degree of efficiency before she left it to go to Paris, France, where she made her home for about ten years. During those years she had several trips through England and Europe. When war broke out Miss Selby returned to her home in Dayton, Ohio, and was planning to go back to France after the war ended to help in restoration work. Miss Selby was gifted with personal and professional qualities which made her successful and beloved in whatever she undertook. She will be missed greatly by a large circle of friends who now extend to her relatives much sympathy.

DR. SIDNEY CHASE GRAVES

Dr. Sidney Chase Graves (E. S. 1931), son of Mrs. William Graves and the late Dr. Graves, met death in the Pacific Area, early in May. He was one of the prominent Boston gynecologists, and for the past two years attached to the Chelsea Naval Hospital, as Lt. Commander. His home was at 600 Brush Hill Road, Milton. A wife and three children survive.

In Memoriam

MRS. GEORGE A. CRAIGIN

Mrs. George A. Craigin (Louise G. Fraser, 1888) died in Waterbury, Connecticut, on May 16, 1944, in her eighty-first year. Funeral services were held in the Bigelow Chapel, Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

MRS. DAVID MAGINITY

Mrs. David Maginity (Sarah E. Dempster, 1899) died in May at the home of her son, Howard Sewell Pruyn, in Detroit, Michigan.

RALPH AUGUSTUS HATCH

May 10, 1881 - April 1, 1944

Most of us at the Massachusetts General Hospital never had a chance to know Ralph very well, he was so quiet and unassuming; but a few who were with Base Hospital No. 6 during the past war saw him in action and learned to appreciate his personality and ability.

Ralph was born in Bath, Maine, and, after the death of his parents, came to Ipswich, Massachusetts, to live with his uncle who was the principal of the high school from which he graduated too young to go to college. Here his love of ships and the sea came to the front and he went for a year on the training ship "Enterprise" before going to Harvard, graduating from the Medical School in 1906. He interned at the Boston City Hospital, but general work did not appeal to him. What he required was a highly specialized field to which he could devote not only his ingenuity but his fingers. So 1908 found him at the Eye and Ear Infirmary as Ophthalmological Clinical Assistant.

In the early days of automobiles he loved to tinker with the

In Memoriam

works. He was a clever mechanic and got more fun doing fine work with his hands, as for instance making ship models, than any one else I have ever known. His work was always meticulously accurate, so his eye work fitted in perfectly with what he chose to do for fun.

When Base Hospital No. 6 was organized in 1916 he was elected and, during the 20 months or so that the unit was stationed outside Bordeaux, Ralph was one of the group who could not be spared, so that he had much less chance than many of us to go joy riding. But as time went on some of our French neighbors learned that at least one American was unlike what they had always considered the typical American, and Ralph became very much in demand at their Sunday afternoon teas and simple entertainments. His shy quiet humor completely won them. His French was unique and inimitable.

Occasionally, to celebrate some special event, the unit would have a dinner in Bordeaux, and with a few glasses of French wine under our belts, Ralph could always be counted on for some of the best stories of the evening, notably "Switch her on the mag, Bill," which became a classic.

After the war some of us, who had learned the quality of his work, became his patients, and took our families, and sent our patients, so that by 1929, due to pressure of outside work, he resigned from the Infirmary and the Hospital. But in 1942 he went back as a volunteer to cover for some of the younger men who had gone into Service.

In 1905 he married Alberta Bamford, and had two sons, Albert Marston, now doing research for the General Electric, and Ralph Augustus, Jr., who is in the Army.

G. C. "The News."

DR. FARRAR COBB

Dr. Farrar Cobb (E. S. 1893) died on May 29, 1944, at the Cape Cod Hospital, following a long illness.

NEWS

The Centennial Anniversary of Butler Hospital, Providence, R. I., was celebrated at the Hospital, Wednesday, May 10th, by very interesting addresses (given by persons eminent in the Psychiatric branch of medicine), a buffet supper and gifts to each guest of an attractive book containing three of the principle papers read. Miss Helen Potter (1909) invited Miss Sally Johnson, Miss Goostray, and Miss Sara E. Parsons to share her car for transportation to and from the celebration. Miss Parsons was invited because it was she who started the Training School in 1895, after her post-graduate work at McLean Hospital, Waverly, Massachusetts. The day being perfect, the company congenial, the trip was delightful in every particular.

Katherine E. Faville (1921) who was director of the Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service from 1937 to 1943, has recently assumed office as director of the Department of Nursing, Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan. For the past six months Miss Faville has served on the staff of the National Nursing Council, assisting with the student recruitment program.

Ruth Sleeper (1922), Assistant Superintendent of Nurses and Assistant Principal of the School of Nursing, M.G.H., was granted a one month leave of absence to serve as special consultant in the Division of Nurse Education, U. S. Public Health Service. Miss Sleeper made a study of schools of nursing in South Carolina to advise on plans for war-time expansion and strengthening of education facilities to meet the urgent need for new student nurses. Much of her time was spent at the University of South Carolina, in Columbia.

Miss E. Grace McLeay (1896) has returned from Toronto, Canada, where she attended the wedding of her niece, and later visited her many friends.

Miranda Bradley (1920) of Plainfield, New Jersey, made a short visit to Boston, last April.

Wenona Abbott (1930) on her way from Canada to Rochester, New York, stopped over in Boston long enough to call on friends at the M.G.H.

Dr. and Mrs. Otto C. Yens (Minnie Sewell, 1925) and family are living on the Post of the 117th Evacuation Hospital, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, until Dr. Yens is sent overseas.

Lt. Pauline Forbes (Pauline Cummings, 1929) was one of two nurses among the Army patients that landed at the Logan Airport, East Boston, on May 17th. Lt. Forbes suffered a fractured hip when she fell on a wet pavement in Lincoln, England, while on duty with the armed forces. She is now convalescing at the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts.

Betty Dumaine (1926) writes that she is very busy with her Red Cross work in India, and that the heat in the jungles and on the plains, as well as the mosquitoes and dust, is most trying. She is thankful for a few days leave occasionally, to spend in the mountain resort.

Ellwynne M. Vreeland (1934), instructor of Nursing Arts at the Albany Hospital, Albany, New York, made a week-end visit to Boston in May.

Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin Steward (Grace F. Shattuck, 1933) and two sons, Charles Baldwin, 3 years and Robert Duncan, 20 months, are living in Northport, Long Island, where Mr. Steward is compiling and translating manuals in Spanish for an aircraft company. Mrs. Steward is giving two evenings a week at the Community Hospital as her war-time service and recently had a call from Leonora Field (1915), Supervisor of Nursing, Suffolk County, Department of Health, Riverhead, L. I., who was on a hunting-up-nurses tour.

Doris Knights (1931), Chief Nurse of 6th General Hospital Unit in North Africa, is now wearing the gold oak leaf on her shoulders.

Mary Alice Barron (1943) has resigned from the Phillips House operating-room staff to become office nurse for Dr. Paul Gustafson, Obstetrician.

We were pleased to welcome Mrs. Lawrence Stiles (Arlene M. Lowe, 1935) back to Boston. She relieved in Dr. Leroy Schall's office at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary during April.

May L. Flett (1923), Nursing Arts Instructor at the Israel-Zion Hospital in Brooklyn, New York, since last October, writes that they have recently started a training school and have 100 per cent Cadet Nurses.

Lt. Mary C. Coolidge (1927), Lt. Grace Riordan Forgey (1933), Lt. Esther M. Bean (1934), and Lt. Helen E. Cousins (1938), are together in England at the 314 Station Hospital, A.P.O. 873, c/o Postmaster, New York.

On May 1st, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard D. Kingston (Alice H. Munsie, 1910) took charge of the City Infirmary, Malden, Mass.

On June 1st, Eleanor Smith (1940) resigned from the Phillips House operating-room staff to be married.

Lt. Ermine Conza (1920) and Lt. E. Jacqueline Davis (1922) are Chief Nurses now stationed at the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts. Other M.G.H. nurses at that hospital are Lt. Helen Gibbons Becker (1933) and Lt. Constance Bourne (1938).

Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Halton (Margaret E. Delaney, 1936) have returned from Dallas, Texas, and are now living in Holyoke, Massachusetts, where Dr. Halton is practicing Ear, Nose and Throat medicine.

Mr. and Mrs. Iver C. Johnson (Margaret C. Lyons, 1922), former Chief Anesthetist of the Baker Memorial, are living at the Plaza Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The editor and staff of the students' monthly publication, "The Drawsheet," are to be congratulated on the last copies of the news sheet. It has grown from a mimeographed form to a neat printed sheet of several pages. It gives up-to-date news of nurses' activities throughout the country, such as the Cadet Corps induction, while the major space is filled with many interesting and amusing articles about its own group.

If there were to be formed an organization of volunteers who have served hospitals through the years, we believe that Miss Gertrude Stevens would be a charter member. Her record starts in 1914, when she was secretary in the Male Surgical O.P.D. From 1917 to 1938 she was a Red Cross Driver. During this time, she transported more than 2,900 patients for the hospital. From 1937 to 1938 she worked in the following clinics: Skin O.P.D. with Miss Reilly; Skin O.P.D. with Drs. Swartz and Guild; Skin O.P.D. with Dr. Burnett; X-Ray Treatment (Skin); Pulmonary Clinic O.P.D. (temperatures and pulses). She has also typed a "two-card" catalogue for the Nurses' Library now known as the Palmer Davis Library. Miss Stevens was one of the first to serve as a Red Cross Nurses' Aide and did this work for three years. In October, 1938, "started work in the Nursing Office." This last modest entry represents two days a week, winter and summer, when Miss Stevens has been "Hostess" in the office; she helps with typing of letters, references, record cards and answers inquiries of a hundred

or so people, etc. Now, in 1944, no Tuesday or Friday would seem natural without Miss Stevens at her desk.

Promotions: (Please keep us informed of new ones)

Members of the A.N.C. with their new titles

Captains—Eleanor B. Pitman (1925)

Mary A. Canning (1923)

Helen J. Coghlan (1928)

First Lieutenants—Louise H. Hollister (1933)

Philipmena Maddern (1941)

Elinor C. Stacey (1933)

Helen G. Hewit (1935)

Marjorie F. Goldthwait, Lt. j.g. (1936)

Sylvia Perkins has been selected by the National League of Nursing Education as technical consultant for a nursing film which is being produced in Boston by Hasseler Productions, for the U. S. Office of Education. This film is one of a series of nursing education subjects which are being made at the request of Surgeon General Parran to assist in the training of U. S. Cadet Corps and other student nurses qualifying to serve in military and civilian hospitals and public health agencies.

1st Lt. Hazel Halladay (1930) has been appointed Director of the Military Neuropsychiatric School for Army Nurses at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts. It is the first school of its kind in the 1st Corps Area.

Josephine K. Hurlev (1938) is employed by the State Health Department in Miami, Florida.

Cleo Richardson (1938) has resigned as head nurse of the M.G.H. operating-room and is now office and surgical nurse for Dr. Richard Sweet.

Ensign Margaret E. Wilson (1938) visited us recently, looking very smart in her Navy uniform. She is on duty at the Chelsea Naval Hospital.

Daphne Corbett (1925) has accepted the position of Director of the Waltham Training School, Waltham, Massachusetts. She will begin her duties in July.

Lt. Doris E. Ellinwood (1925) A.N.C. is now chief nurse of a U. S. A. Hospital ship. Her address is 209 Hospital Ship Company Station Hospital, c/o Postmaster of Embarkation, Charleston, South Carolina.

Ensign Rita F. Rein (1934) former anesthetist at the Carney Hospital has arrived in North Africa with a contingent of U. S. Navy specialist nurses.

Mrs. Clifford R. Thompson (Helen E. Bancroft, 1920) and son Clifford, Jr., were guests at the Parker House in April, and visited friends and classmates.

Gula R. Boyce (1928) head nurse of the Orthopedic Ward, White 5B, for the past four years, resigned on April 15, 1944. Miss Boyce is a member of the A.N.C. and now stationed at Fort Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts.

On June 3, 1944, Martha, the daughter of Mae B. Kells (1909) and the late Dr. James Murray Gallison (M.G.H. 1910) was married to John Platt Hubbell, Jr. (Lt. j.g.) M.C., U.S.N.R., at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Church, Brookline, Massachusetts.

The degrees of B.S. in Education were conferred upon Bertha Coskie (1924) Proctor, and Anne Lyons (1931) Twomey, at the Commencement exercises of Boston University on May 22, 1944, in Symphony Hall.

At the Simmons College Commencement exercises held in June, Elizabeth Ulrich (1937) and Mrs. John Landgraf (Marion Marchetti, 1941) received their B.S. degrees.

Friends of Marion Manning (1901) send her greetings and wish her a pleasant convalescence from her recent illness. She will be remembered as the House Mother at 92 Charles Street, from 1928 to 1933.

Helen O'Dea (1913) and her sister Sally, have returned to Boston after spending two enjoyable months at the Beach Hotel, Fort Meyers, Miami and Palm Beach, Florida.

Many of the hospital family enjoyed the hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Faxon at their "teas" given in April, and had the pleasure of meeting the wives of the Assistant Directors as well as the last new appointee, Dr. Ferdinand Haase. Dr. and Mrs. Haase are the first occupants of the Pent House apartment in the White Building. The apartment is most attractive with a superb view of the Charles River from its western balcony.

Miss Hannah J. Brierley (1887) and Miss Elizabeth E. Pitman (1894) both residents of the Nelson's Nursing Home, Middletown, R. I., write that they are still interested in the hospital activities and enjoy reading the "Quarterly."

Friends and Alumnae members were interested in the recent wedding of Jean Edward Collier, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Collier of Ann Arbor, Michigan, to Corporal Arthur W. Allen, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Allen, of Brookline, Massachusetts.

On May 13, 1944, many members of veteran Base Hospital No. 6 Unit were saddened by the sudden death of Mr. James R. Gibson. He was the husband of Nellie M. Irving and a true friend to all those who enjoyed the hospitality of their home. To his wife and son we extend our sincere sympathy.

Friends of Dr. Gerardo Balboni and the late Mrs. Balboni will be interested in the engagement of Capt. Victor G. Balboni, M.D., A.U.S., to Marjorie Camp Fletcher of Morristown, New Jersey. Capt. Balboni is at present stationed at Fort Jay, Governors Island, L. I. The wedding will take place June 16, at St. James Episcopal Church, New York.

Mrs. William T. McGrath (Margaret T. O'Neil, 1934) who with her husband Lt. McGrath, is stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, writes that they are enjoying their own home at 3387 Macon Road, Columbus, Georgia, and that their kitchen boasts of the finest New England type dinners Mrs. McGrath is capable of making, including Boston baked beans, the latter making quite a hit with the native born guests.

Miss Jessie Helen McCaskill (1919) at the present time a resident of Montreal, Canada, visited her relatives and friends in and around the Hub, the latter part of May.

Mrs. Joseph P. Eaton (Izah Mitchell, 1905) is doing her good deed for this present crisis, by commuting from Sharon to Boston six days a week for general duty nursing at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Jean Marie Roberts (1943) who entered the A.N.C. last March, writes that since leaving the Lovell General Hospital, she has been stationed at the Camp Kilmer Hospital in New Jersey and the Rhodes General in Utica. She has been assigned to the 200th Hospital Ship Company.

Mr. Lewis F. Kinley has given to the Presbyterian Church in Olean, New York, a pipe organ in memory of his wife, Carrie T. Banta (1915).

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mary Frances Malone (1943) for the death of her father Mr. Edward A. Malone on May 2, 1944.

Josephine E. Thurlow (1909) formerly superintendent of the North Adams Hospital, North Adams, Massachusetts, has been appointed superintendent of Fairview Hospital, Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

Mildred Irene Taylor (1923) who has been with the Red Cross Blood Donors Center in Washington, D. C., is relieving in the Admitting Office of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary for the summer.

Miss Johnson, Miss Sleeper, and Mrs. Joseph Andrews (Marie Scherer) attended the Biennial Convention of the American Nurses Association held jointly with meetings of the National League of Nursing Education and the Public Health Nursing in Buffalo, New York, from June 4th to 8th. Miss Sleeper was elected President of the National League of Nursing Education.

Mrs. Wesley Newell (Veda E. Lohnes, 1928) and small daughter Sandra from Aberdeen, Maryland, visited her mother and relatives in West Somerville, in June, later attending her nephew's graduation from the St. Johnsbury, Vermont, High School.

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The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

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The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses—Philadelphia, Pa.

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America is not a mere body of traders; it is a body of free men. Our greatness is built upon our freedom — is moral, not material. We have a great ardor for gain; but we have a deep passion for the rights of man.

New times demand new measures and new men.
The world advances and in time outgrows
The laws that in our fathers' day were best;
And doubtless after us some purer scheme
Will be shaped out by wiser men than we,
Made wiser by the steady growth of truth.

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL

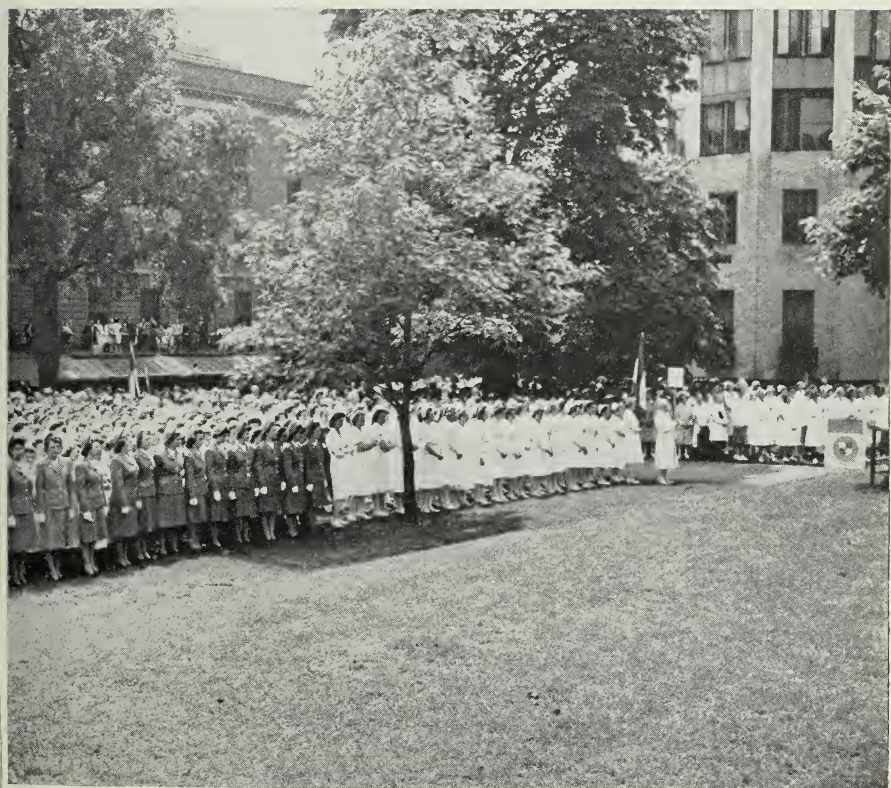


DIRECTOR, DR. NATHANIEL W. FAXON
"VOLUNTEER DAY"

VOLUNTEER DAY AT M.G.H.

The volunteer is not new to M.G.H. as we have had a host of friends who have served the hospital faithfully as volunteers over a period of years. They have often proven their worth and helped the institution through difficulties. These difficulties were minor as compared to the present war emergency. As our needs have reached enormous proportions fortunately our volunteer service has expanded to help meet these needs. We would not be able to maintain a satisfactory standard of care for patients were it not for the number of volunteer workers who come in to help relieve the crippling shortage of personnel.

Every department of the hospital has directly or indirectly benefited by the tremendous help which has been given by the volunteers. Therefore, it was indeed fitting that all were given the opportunity to pay tribute to these friends who have become



an integral part of our institution when Volunteer Day was held at M.G.H. Thursday, June 22.

A most impressive program was arranged through the efforts of Mrs. David Arnold, Chairman of the Volunteer Advisory Board and her Volunteer Day Committee. A very attractive invitation with a woodcut of the Bulfinch building at the top went out to all the volunteers who have served during the past year and to many other friends of the hospital.

It was decided that the time when the greatest number of the hospital personnel could be relieved from their duties to participate was from noon through visiting hour, so this was the time selected for the program. Ominous clouds appeared in the early morning, but before noon the sun shone down on the Bulfinch yard with just enough brightness to cast interesting shadows from the gracious Bulfinch and the towering White building and dispersed any signs of predicted showers.



Sandwiches and beverages were served at twelve-forty-five and preceding the program the United States Port of Boston Coast Guard Band played a number of martial airs. Following lunch the various volunteer groups marched across the terrace, lined up on the lawn and were welcomed by Mr. John Macomber, President of the Hospital Corporation.

The hospital personnel had been instructed to form lines leading from the brick corridor with the head of each department bearing a standard and leading their group. At one-thirty Dr. Faxon led approximately twelve hundred of the hospital personnel across the terrace while Dr. Means, standing on the Bulfinch balcony, announced each group. With the precision of a trained corps the parade went on—"M.G.H on Review"—until line after line formed in the yard facing the Bulfinch. With every uniform of the hospital represented it must have been an interesting and colorful sight to look down on.

Dr. Faxon spoke on volunteer service and expressed appreciation in behalf of the hospital for the invaluable service rendered by our volunteers. An address by Governor Leverett Saltonstall followed and as he told of the building of the Bulfinch and the early history of the hospital and what it has stood for these many years, I am certain everyone standing there felt proud to be playing a part in helping to carry on the traditions of the institution in spite of war and disasters.

While the Coast Guard Band played the "Star Spangled Banner," a group of service men from nearby Army and Navy hospitals who had been sitting on benches on either side of the Bulfinch steps, stood at attention. This seemed a fitting close to the Volunteer Day program.

The following items are reprinted from the Massachusetts General Hospital "News" of September, 1944:

This account of how a hospital got moved reads like a modern version of the twelve tasks of Hercules—all rolled into one gigantic undertaking. It is contained in a letter from Major T. Stewart Hamilton, MC [*a. dir.*] to his family:—

"This is a belated attempt to give you the story of our Odessey from Casablanca to 'Somewhere in Italy'. For months we had expected to move, as the battle lines had left us further and further behind. There was still work to be done where we were, however, so we stayed on. Knowing what it would be like to move a hospital of our size, and despite the fact that Casablanca was such an agreeable city, with the finest climate I have ever known, we were still anxious to see some of the real theatre of war.

"During the months of regular work we laid our plans. With what wood we could get we constructed box-sides and ends. These were used as ward-closets until the very last, when they were knocked together and filled with supplies. By the middle of April we had some pretty definite ideas and began to pack. By the end of the month we were at it for fair. We kept the hospital open till the last gasp, and even turned some patients over to the succeeding hospital as they moved in, and we out. I wrestled with tonnages and cubages until I couldn't sleep. I kept a notebook and pen by my bed so I could jot down ideas during the night. I learned the intricacies of box-cars (40 & 8's), gondolas (flat-cars), and Riddells (slat-sided box-cars). On May 1 we got word we were to move on Tuesday, the 16th. We had closed our famed 'Moroccan ward'—a furniture warehouse housing up to 500 patients at one time—together with a mess hall, showers, latrine, and baggage room, and had our stuff piled in there as it was made ready to go. On Saturday A.M. our men started loading. For professionals—let alone amateurs—they went ahead with incredible speed and efficiency, and completed the tremendous task by Sunday evening. On Monday they set out our train for passengers—second-class coaches for officers and nurses, and 40 & 8's for the men. We had all sorts of things to arrange for—drinking water, food, medical care, and what-not. We set up a dispensary in the end of one of the passenger cars. At 6 P.M. we gathered at the siding, and since every one was assigned a car the loading went along very well.

"We pulled out at 8:30 and rolled along quietly on the electrified line until the next morning when we arrived at Fez. A mobile kitchen was there to serve us our breakfast, and it was wonderful. I had been at the yards all the day before, and after a supper of a sandwich and cold C-rations I was plenty hungry. We were under steam after Fez, our power being the Gipsy Rose Lee, or stripped-down American engine. That day was perfectly beautiful. We saw the snowcapped mountains that morning, and all day long kept puffing up hill, around mountainsides, through innumerable tunnels, and across bridges. We passed through Taza, Guercif, and Oujda. We stopped at every station, for the track is single, and at each stop we had to be sure the track was clear ahead and that the next station knew we were coming. Often we were going so slowly that native children would run along uphill beside the track calling for candy, C-rations, or whatever else they could get. Just at dusk we stopped at one town, whose name I forget, and were besieged with Arabs of all sizes and shapes, trying to sell us knives and other trinkets—and, incidentally, offering as high as \$6 for a carton of cigarettes. We passed through Tlemcen that day—noted

mainly for the fact that the T is pronounced, making the rest of the name an acrobatic feat. I took some colored pictures of the many breath-taking views which presented themselves wherever one looked. By afternoon our dispensary was working overtime caring for several folks with the G.I.'s—mostly those who had saved spam sandwiches over till the next day. During that day we had to drop one of our box-cars because of a hot-box.

"At Oujda (pronounced Ooj-da), where we arrived at 1:30 A.M., we had a minor crisis, though a routine one. Here we had reached the highest point of our journey and were to start downhill. The French cars are all hand-braked—I suppose because labor is so cheap there. Our passenger cars and some American 40 & 8's had to be hooked all together right behind the engine to give braking power on the downhill run. Well, this snarled our car arrangement of the men for a fare-thee-well. We had all the cars numbered, and the men on by roster; after the shift the numbers ran something like 20, 19, 3, 16, 17, 10, 9, 7, 8, and so on. We also dropped a couple of freights here, due to hot-boxes or something. After interminable shifting about of cars we finally got straightened around and off we went.

"The rest of the trip was pleasant, but the scenery wasn't so exciting. We arrived at Oran at 7, to be met by our advance party, which had had a regular Boy Scout camping trip coming up in motor convoy. Our nurses went to Ain-el-Turck—a magnificent resort on the beach west of the city—and we went to Goat Hill to the east. The goats had left, and after a day I knew why. It was a God-forsaken spot if ever I have seen one. I stayed at the siding with the unloading detail and didn't get out till way late. When I awoke the next morning I looked out on a forest of pyramidal tents, all furled round their center-poles, looking for all the world like shell-smashed palms on Tarawa. There was a constant wind, reminiscent of the March blows on the Cape; and though the rainy season was over, we were treated to 24 hours of the hardest rain I have ever seen. Water ran in rivers through our tent. Tent-pegs had been consumed for fuel by our predecessors last winter, and rocks were a pitiful substitute. The water was so hard you couldn't wash and many had their heads shaved out of desperation. We went to Ain-el-Turck almost every other day for a swim in the Med, and it was wonderful. I didn't spend much time in town, which is built on a mountainside and is beautiful from a distance, but crowded and dirty. We spent 10 days there, and visited several hospitals. These were most instructive and interesting. Our baseball team raised particular hell with the local champions, and we left Africa with a hard- and soft-ball record of 103 won, 7 lost, and 2 tied.

The plan was for the officers and men to go on one ship and the nurses to follow. Five days before we left we sent our advance convoy with our equipment. They got in 5 days after we did, and survived a raid *en route*. One noon we were told to be ready by 3 P.M., and at 2 P.M. this was changed to 6 A.M. the next day. At that time we piled onto the trucks and began the jaunt into the city. We got to the harbor area at 8:30 and, to our delight, saw a hospital ship. Loading was completed in half an hour, and a half-hour after that we were off. It was beautifully timed. As soon as we were settled I headed for a shower. I had worn my outer clothing for three weeks and I really needed a change. The water was not only hot, it was *soft*! I can't remember when I have so enjoyed anything in my life. I got a complete change of clothing—not what I had 'washed' at Goat Hill, for those things still were brown from the terrible dust storms that alternated with the rain.

"The trip was unbelievable. The Med is even bluer than I had been led to imagine. The ship was comfortable and happy, accommodations (wards) excellent, food superb. Our men—who remembered with horror the transport trip across the Atlantic when they couldn't get enough to eat and could hardly eat what they did get, and were cramped uncomfortably but necessarily in the tightest of quarters—couldn't believe there were only two decks of cots, with springs, mattresses, sheets, and all the wonderful food they wanted. When we first got on and were organizing details—before they knew about the food—we even had a couple of staff sergeants volunteer for KP in the hope of getting better meals. We could be out on deck till 11:30, lights blazing, together with Red Crosses. When it became dark, movies were shown on the open deck. It was very calm all the way, but the third day, as we lazed along in the Tyrrhenian Sea, there wasn't even a cat's paw to disturb the glassy calm. We docked at noon of the fourth day and went out of town to our staging area.

"The first couple of days were pretty tough, but then an engineer outfit moved out and we took over their site—a regular Scout-camp. Most of our officers and men were put at once on detached service to help out at the several hospitals that were swamped by the push which was at that time just about getting to Rome. Our nurses, who came on the next hospital ship, had a bit of rough weather and were farmed out to hospitals direct from the ship. Those of us who were left visited friends, climbed mountains, and saw the sights.

"We had a couple of weeks of this not unpleasant life, when one day the colonel got a chance to ride over to take a look at our new site. We weren't supposed to leave for a week or 10 days, so off he went. About an hour later we got a call that we were to

go that night. I beat it into headquarters and found that while that wasn't true, they did want to move us in two days. And that with all our equipment scattered around the hillside and our personnel scattered from hell-to-breakfast! We pulled all our enlisted men in the next day and made plans. One hundred of them were to go with the officers and nurses in the L.C.I., the rest to ride the trucks with the luggage. Thus we would have men for loading and unloading. We left the officers and nurses where they were, for we had no place for them. Then the rains came, and it poured! The C.O. got in one afternoon and left with the advance party, in a downpour, at 3:30 A.M. At 9 A.M. the trucks began to come—and they came, in increments of 20 or 30 for the next three days, until all the equipment was transferred. The weather would moderate from time to time, but you could always tell when another bunch of trucks was coming because the downpour would start anew. The second day our turn came to go in and pick up our L.C.I. It was my birthday, and I am sure it was the worst (except, perhaps, the very first) I have ever spent. We had the worry of whether we had notified all the officers (we had had a false alarm the day before when the men—the 100—left. We were supposed to go, too, but they called it off so late that, with bad phone connections from out in the country, some had gone on to the staging area); worry, also, since they were coming largely by conveyances from the hospitals where they were working, whether they would all get there, and on time. The trucks for those of us in camp and in the nearby hospitals arrived almost an hour late—in the rain, of course, filthy dirty and with no tops. Then we had trouble collecting every one, though they had all been ready on time. I asked the lead driver if he knew the way into the place, and he said he did. But he took us 10 miles out of our way, was stopped by a train, stopped for gas, got into traffic jams, and don't know what else. I was sitting on a suitcase in the back of the last truck, and soon the rain drove right through my old field jacket and soaked me to the skin. My watch was in my pocket to protect it so I couldn't tell what time it was, but I knew we were plenty late before we ever got to town. We arrived at the area, in the pouring rain, of course—it never stopped. Every one was present, and we went aboard. Later we came back to a mobile Red Cross canteen right by the ship, which served an ambrosia they called coffee, and doughnuts. Nothing ever tasted so good. By some miracle it stopped raining and we went to a nearby Navy Officers' club for our first American beer since we left the States.

"We pulled out after dark, and after I had dried myself and my field jacket by a deck-exhaust I stayed out until about 11:30

when it began to sprinkle. By this time I was ready to take shelter from that damned rain, so I went below to bed.

"The little fellow bounced around a bit that night, but I have yet to get seasick and didn't mind it a bit. Early the next morning we came to shore and were met by our trucks. From there we took a 2-hour jaunt past wrecked tanks, guns, piles of land-mines, and plenty of souvenirs which no one had seemed interested in picking up. Helmets and rifles have a curious way of exploding these days. Then things smoothed out and before long we arrived at our new home. What we found there is another story."

Col. Thomas R. Goethals, MC (*ES* 1917) sent his version of the foregoing experience in a letter to Dr. Faxon. He has this to say about the hasty exit of the enemy:—

"They pulled out, leaving tons of German and Italian medical supplies and literature. In fact, there was still food on (unwashed) dishes in the more distant wards."

He concludes his letter in this lighter vein:—

"Thorndike, Welch, McGahey, Short, Aufranc, and Worthy have returned to us after tours of detached service elsewhere. Seyfarth has been reassigned. In addition, we have one new administrative officer. Singer has been at the Special Service School at Lexington, Va., since May 24, but we expect him back within a fortnight—by which time the Yankee Stadium, complete with Coogan's Bluff, should be bulldozed into an adequate baseball field. We have expanded our nurse population, with still a few more due.

"The Boston *Globe* of June 11 credited me with smoking 16 to 20 cigars a day. This was a mild exaggeration, as the actual score is only 15 to 19.

Anyone who comes in through the front door of the White Building needs only to raise his eyes to see the story, in brief, of the extent of our participation in the war. For there, on the north wall, mounted upon a background of walnut which bears appropriate decorations of beauty and dignity, are the names of 117 of our nurses, 140 members of our staff, and 149 of our employees, who are now in military service. Our Honor Roll is, indeed, an impressive one.

This copy of a letter to Colonel Goethals, from Mr. Albert E. Hunter, President of the Talence Club, speaks for itself:—

DEAR COLONEL GOETHALS:

"In behalf of the Talence Club, I enclose a check for twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to be expended as you may think advisable for the benefit of the enlisted personnel of U.S. 6th General Hos-

pital. The Talence Club, formerly The Enlisted Men's Club of Base Hospital Number Six, was organized twenty-seven years ago during our service at Talence, Bordeaux, France, under the command of Colonel Washburn. The club at one time numbered well over three hundred members and our annual reunions are well attended.

"The members of the club are very much interested in our successor unit and should be glad to have any information which you may be in a position to furnish regarding the activities and work being carried on by the hospital unit.

"On behalf of the club, I extend our most cordial greetings and best wishes to the doctors and nurses and enlisted personnel of the 6th General Hospital.

Sincerely,

ALBERT E. HUNTER,

Talence Club President"

Letter to Mrs. Gertrude Christie Kaissi

August 12th—Italy

Dear Chris:

I'll say we've moved! Never in my life did I expect to see Italy but in the past two months I've seen so many ruins (historical as well as war) I feel as though I'd eaten a few ancient history books. We saw Pompeii but Vesuvius was quiescent then—missed that show by several weeks. There's lots I could write but the censor laced up the past letters I wrote so there's no point repeating them. Have seen Anzio, at least what once was Anzio, and it's everything they said about it. Only the birds live there now. Rome is another place we really "did". I saw more beautiful cathedrals, climbed St. Peter's dome (and had macaroni knees for two hours after) attended the Pope's audience, thumbed rides all over the city to points of interest and was exhausted. We opened shop with a bang and I'm glad I made use of our time while we had it. The past two months statistics would amaze you but that's censorable. In brief, in our first fifteen days of operating we had more cases than in the fifteen months at Casa. Our O.R. was, I mean is, a huge room—good lighting—and we have twelve cases at once. There aren't enough tables so saw-horses were made to support the litters. Each doctor had two tables—gloves only were used and no scrubbing between cases unless it happened to be a very dirty one. There were only five of us anesthetists and we were run ragged—for three weeks it was steady from 7 A.M. till 7-8:30 at night. It was good to find out we were capable of it

after the "ice-cream front" as our Casa location was known as. Thank God it let up when it did—now we still have a full day's schedule for ordinary times which varies from 15-30 cases but it's nothing compared to the 100-115 days. Guess I'll never be an anesthetist après la guerre. There's too much for me to learn. I've absorbed enough to carry me through this type of work but the finer points were passed over by necessity. Everyone was very glad my transfer requests had been refused. Anesthetists really were at a premium, in fact, we had to rope in a couple of our officers one day in order to keep the schedule. When the worst was over two arrived on detached service from another outfit and though their services really weren't needed then, we appreciated their help.

At the moment Chloe Wilcox and I are on nights—she as scrub and I as anesthetist. It's amazing how one gains confidence after experience. It amuses me now to remember with what trepidation and trembling I once approached a G.O.E. We've had an uneventful night duty so far but are expecting business in a few minutes. There's been an accident but unless it's something requiring immediate attention they'll be given first aid and sent in to the Station Hospital.

It's much too hot to attempt sleeping in our tents and several of us have taken rooms in town at a hotel under the auspices of the British Y.W. We hitch rides in the A.M. but there's a truck coming out at 6:15 which gets us back in time to go on at 7. My room has been rather expensive for I've done precious little sleeping. The stores are open only in the A.M. and night duty is our only opportunity to be free then. I've window shopped daily and bought a few things. Prices are terrific and stocks pretty well depleted.

Here's the "business" so I'll sign off now. I'm glad the bill-fold arrived and hope it's what you wanted. 'Twas my last purchase at Casa.

So long and good luck.

ELINOR C. STACY (1933), 6th Gen. Hosp.

A Letter from an M.G.M. Senior Cadet Nurse

Lovell General Hospital
Fort Devens, Mass.
September 8, 1944

Now that I have finished my basic training I have a little more time to breathe and catch up on a bit of unfinished business. As the first Cadet from M.G.H. to go on an Army affilia-

tion I had a big problem for I didn't know in the least what to expect. I left on a very hot day and when I got to the Camp found it even hotter—hardly a breath of air anywhere. Those first few days were hectic! It seems as if all we did (there were 7 others in the class) was to get in one car, drive to a division, get out, finish our business, wait for the shuttle car and start all over again. I think I was confused for a week after! We started out immediately marching in two columns to all our meals and for the next two weeks we marched everywhere we went—and this was the Army's way of marching! No slip shod methods this time. They kept us busy those first two weeks.

A typical schedule might be:—

0600 (6:00 A.M.) Rise and shine
0625 March to breakfast
0700 Calisthenics
0800-1200 Classes
1300-1600 Classes
1600 Drill
1700 Supper
1800 Supervised play or recreation
1930-2130 Recreation of the group
2300 Lights out!

I assure you that often we were in bed long before 2300. I enjoyed basic training very much but was anxious to start on the wards. The other cadets from M.G.H. arrived about this time and was I ever glad to see a familiar face!

Now that I have been on the wards for almost a week I feel a little more at home. Right now I am on a surgical ward having a capacity of 37 patients. We are very busy and I often feel right at home when things begin to happen all at once. Most of the fellows have seen quite a bit of action but their morale is high which is a great help for them and for us.

I have enjoyed this Army experience and would not exchange it for the world. Now I would like to take the neuropsychiatric course at Cushing General and I could safely say my training was more than complete.

Time for chow, one picks up Army lingo very quickly here, so I shall close this for now.

Sincerely,

THE TRAPP FAMILY MUSIC CAMP

The past summer in the heart of the mountains at Stowe, Vermont, a unique musical experiment was inaugurated under the sponsorship of the Baron and Baroness Von Trapp, and their spiritual and musical director, Father Franz Wasner. During four sessions of ten days each, three hundred and fifty people of varying ages, races and creeds, but with the common bond of a love of good music, were joined together to learn to sing the compositions of the great masters.

The inspiration for this camp came originally from the Baroness Von Trapp moved by an overwhelming desire to make some real and active contribution to the life of America, in grateful appreciation for the hospitality and friendship experienced by her family since coming to this country to escape the domination of the Nazi regime. Keenly aware, from cruel experience with the Nazis, of the forces in the world which are attempting to destroy family life, and fearful lest the same forces threaten the stability of the American home, she pleads with us to arouse ourselves to these dangers and to safeguard the fundamental ideals and the loyalties of American life. As a method of counteracting these alien influences she urges a return to the simpler pleasures of family living; firm in her conviction that other families like her own, can enrich their common life and develop their sense of social responsibility by working, playing, and praying together, thereby freeing themselves from dependence upon passive, ordinary, and mechanical amusements such as those frequently afforded by the radio and the movies.

It was through simple family music sessions in their Austrian home that they learned to enjoy together the folk music of their country, increase their own spiritual devotion, and enhance the beauty of the daily services in their private chapel, singing under the direction of Father Wasner the glorious and authentic music of the early church.

The daily life of this remarkable family at work, and play, and in their religious exercises offers an impressive example of the simplicity, beauty, and effectiveness of the program they advocate.

The well-rounded series of activities planned for the campers provided not only refreshment for body and spirit, but also increased enthusiasm for group singing and deepened appreciation of the glory and the source of inspiration and joy in the compositions of Palestrina, Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, and Mozart.

In addition to wider acquaintance with the classics of music, amusement and gayety were stimulated by the singing of rounds in Latin and English. Whoever would have imagined Mozart as a composer of rounds, until we raised our voices in his lovely *Ave Maria* in six progressive groups? Folk songs, German, English, and American were part of our repertoire. In addition there were Bach Chorals and the exquisite songs of Brahms, the only pieces for which accompaniment was most fittingly provided by the ancient instruments of recorder and spinet.

Dr. Wasner who has an amazing knowledge of American as well as European music urged us to sing and popularize the folk music and spirituals of our own people, declaring that we had here, a treasure of inestimable worth, calling attention particularly to the spirituals as most closely related to Revelation in expression of the deep spiritual life of the Negro people, their suffering, and faith and hope.

Songs of Freedom, an unusual collection of songs of the United States, compiled by Davidson, Davis, and Kemp, published by Houghton Mifflin, furnished us with excellent examples of the musical wealth which Father Wasner praised so highly.

The camp program, while planned around choral singing and the playing of the recorder, a primitive musical instrument, did not neglect the spiritual or physical life.

Each day's activities began with services in the beautiful log-cabin chapel with Mass and Communion for the Catholic members, followed by general prayers, hymns, and a short instruction by Father Wasner on the gospel, or the life of the saint whose feast-day it was. He pleaded for charity and brotherly love; challenging each hearer to face his own responsibility in advancing the Kingdom of God and a better world of good will and international understanding.

Catholics, Protestants and Jews were outspoken in their appreciation of the tremendous spiritual uplift experienced through association with this remarkable young priest who combined in his extraordinary personality not only inspired musical leadership but the functioning example of a saintly life.

The initial warning of the Baroness that it was not a recreational camp but a period of ten days to be devoted to serious musical study, was realized by the daily morning sessions from 9:30 to 11:30, that resulted in the acquisition of an astonishing musical repertoire, not on a professional level to be sure, but adequate enough to furnish a foundation and incentive for continued effort on return to every-day life.

Again in the afternoon from 4:00 to 5:00 attention was devoted to Gregorian music by those anxious to learn the traditional music of the Roman Catholic Church.

The evening Benediction service afforded an opportunity to perform some of the beautiful hymns and motets we had learned, while the perfection of musical accomplishment was demonstrated by the Trapps themselves whose miniature concerts climaxed the day's musical activities.

The high spot of the physical and recreational program, which included swimming, folk dancing, and hiking, was the four and one half mile ascent of Mount Mansfield at the summit of which was enjoyed a well-earned picnic lunch. Then followed the four and one half mile descent. Some of us had difficulty in getting our legs over the benches for supper.

Another afternoon was spent on a two and one half mile hike to the Trapp Family Farm. The location, breathtakingly beautiful, was chosen by the Trapps because it most closely resembled the mountains and valleys of their Tyrolean home, of all the places they had seen in the United States.

Our usual afternoon choral practice was held on the piazza of their spacious house, which the family had practically built by themselves, after the roof of the one hundred and fifty year old farmhouse, which they had bought, collapsed during a March blizzard, dragging down the walls on top of it.

A picnic supper was served in one of the large meadows of the six hundred acre farm after which we joined in our regular evening session of folk dancing, directed as usual by the Baroness.

Then while we all sat on the grass she gathered her seven daughters about her, and gave us an authentic demonstration of the yodelling, characteristic of the Austrian Alps. An expectant thrill seized the group as we awaited the return of the echo from the distant hills.

To complete a never-to-be-forgotten evening, the group, of over one hundred and fifty persons, children, men, and women, joined hands and in the gathering darkness, repeated together our evening prayers and sang our Benediction hymn, composed by Father Wasner, *To Thee the Holy Ghost We now Pray*, which one might almost term, not irreverently, the theme song of the Trapp Family Music Camp.

The night before our departure, after a final word by Father Wasner, reviewing the wishes he had voiced for us, on our arrival that we might, during our ten days, grow closer to God through

the beauty of nature, singing the glorious compositions of music, and finally through the companionship of the members of the group from all parts of the country, we left the chapel to gather on a nearby hill, above the largest bonfire we had ever seen, and as the sparks mounted to the starlit heaven we sang our favorite rounds, madrigals, hymns, and patriotic songs. The fervour with which *America* was sung brought tears to one's eyes. It was a sublime conclusion to a thrilling experience.

MARGARET G. REILLY (1916).

HERRICK HOUSE

Number 27 Commonwealth Avenue, the gift of Mr. Robert F. Herrick, has been renovated and is now occupied by twenty student dietitians. The upper floors serving as bed rooms have been adequately furnished. The rooms on the first floor are to be used as living and reception rooms.

At this time, because of war shortages, it is difficult to purchase furniture suitable for these rooms. We have attempted to purchase at auction and from dealers but have found prices beyond our means.

Consequently, an appeal is made to friends of the hospital who may have extra chairs, couches, tables, rugs, etc., which would be suitable for this house. A piano is greatly desired.

Miss Floyd, Chief Dietitian, will be glad to explain our needs and to inspect intended gifts.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.

2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

6. For the Loan Fund to Miss Katherine Pierce, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co., Boston, Massachusetts.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Abbott, Sylvia	1931 Army	Coggsell, Thelma B. ...	1926 Army
Ainsworth, Leah Clark..	1923 Army	Convolski, Stephanie	1933 Army
Allen, Margaret Hazen..	1936 Army	Conza, Ermine	1920 Army
Armstrong, Kathleen ...	1938 Navy	Coolidge, Mary C.	1927 Army
Atto, Kathleen	1922 Army	Cooper, Jean	1942 Army
Ayer, Dorothy	1940 Army	Corthell, Beatrice M.	1922 Army
Babcock, Grace R.	1939 Army	Corcoran, Alice M.	1934 Army
Barrett, Ann	1943 Navy	Cousins, Helene E.	1938 Army
Barrett, Katherine C.	1938 Army	Cox, Christine	1942 Army
Barton, Goldie	1926 Army	Crafts, Eleanor B.	1932 Army
Barton, Rowena	1934 Army	Cree, Edna	1928 Army
Battin, Gladys McCracken		Davis, E. Jacqueline	1932 Army
	1933 Army	Davis, Natalie	1928 Army
Bean, Esther M.	1934 Army	Dawson, Marjorie	1936 Army
Beardwood, Gladys	1925 Army	Dervin, Margaret	1932 Army
Beaudette, Laurianne ...	1937 Army	DeWolf, Mary	1943 Army
Beatham, Sybil	1938 Army	Donahue, Josephine	1941 Army
Becker, Helen Gibbons..	1933 Army	Dow, Miriam Atwood ...	1924 Army
Belisle, Beatrice	1941 Army	Drolet, Velma A.	1939 Army
Benedict, Rebecca	1937 Army	Duffy, Dorothy	1939 Army
Benyon, Marion	1941 Army	Dumaine, Betty	1926 A.R.C.
Binns, Julia	1940 Army	Durning, Virginia	1943 Army
Bitzer, Barbara	1936 Army	Dwyer, Mary Edwina ...	1942 Army
Blaney, Evelyn M.	1928 Army	Eaton, Caroline	1933 Army
Bourne, Constance E.	1938 Army	Ellinwood, Doris	1925 Army
Bowers, Marjorie	1931 Army	Emerson, Edna	1936 Army
Boyce, Gula	1928 Army	Emery, Margaret	1936 Army
Boyle, Rita	1941 Army	Ethier, Mildred	1920 Army
Briggs, Cleora	1942 Army	Eveleth, Annette L.	1928 Army
Brandon, Geraldine	1938 Army	Farrant, Helen A.	1930 Army
Brebbia, Mary E.	1935 Army	Farrar, Priscilla	1942 Navy
Brooks, Jessie H.	1933 Army	Finn, Mary E.	1939 Army
Brown, Jessie	1943 Army	Forand, Avis Louise	1942 Army
Bruce, Elaine	1943 Army	Forbes, Pauline C.	1929 Army
Bruno, Carmela	1942 Army	Ford, Anna	1942 Army
Burgess, Linda	1930 Army	Forgey, Grace Riordan..	1933 Army
Burns, Helen Phyllis	1943 Army	Fraser, Mary A.	1938 Army
Buckley, Elizabeth	1942 Navy	Gardner, Grace E.	1932 Navy
Butcher, Edith J.	1941 Army	Gardner, Ruth G.	1938 Navy
Canning, Mary A.	1923 Army	Gates, Evelyn	1942 Army
Cape, Jacqueline	1943 Navy	Giberti, Florence L.	1929 Army
Cardinali, Inez V.	1942 Army	Gianarakos, Anastasia ...	1941 Army
Carpenter, Mary L.	1940 Army	Glynn, Eileen	1936 Navy
Carr, Kathryn	1942 Army	Goethal, Yvonne	1939 Army
Casey, Mary L.	1941 Army	Goldthwait, Marjorie F.	1936 Navy
Chadbourne, Helen O. ...	1932 Army	Graham, Helen K.	1942 Navy
Chrystal, Dorothy M. ...	1928 Army	Gravelle, Jean	1944 Army
Clark, Alice	1939 Army	Greene, Ardenia Abbott	1930 Army
Coghlan, Helen J.	1928 Army		
Coffey, Eileen	1938 Army		

Gredzinski, Helen	1940	Navy	Mather, Jean T.	1941	Navy
Guillemette, Loretta	1940	Army	Maxwell, Barbara E.	1932	Army
Haddon, Ruth	1939	Army	May, Marjorie	1938	Army
Haley, Blanche	1930	Army	McCabe, Kathryn L.	1936	Army
Halladay, Hazel	1930	Army	McCormack, Madeline...	1943	Navy
Halekas, Garyfallia	1942	Army	McCullough, Ethel	1937	Army
Hansis, Evelyn	1939	Army	McDonald, Jeannette C.	1941	Army
Hardy, Amanda B.	1926	Army	McDonnell, Frances C.	1939	Army
Hardy, Nancy	1944	Army	McDonnell, Rose C.	1935	Army
Harlow, Evelyn C.	1928	Army	McGarry, Catherine	1934	Army
Harper, Marjorie	1931	Army	McGlynn, Dorothy F. ...	1932	Army
Hart, Mary Patricia	1944	Army	McKee, Anna M.	1937	Army
Hartnett, Helen V.	1941	Army	McKee, Kathleen M.	1921	Army
Hartnett, Marguerite E.	1943	Navy	McKenzie, Anne	1941	Army
Hathaway, Ruth	1938	Army	McKinnon, Christine A.	1928	Army
Hewitt, Helen G.	1935	Army	McLellan, Bessie	1932	Army
Hollister, Louise H.	1933	Army	McMorran, Frances	1942	Army
Holmes, Isabel	1941	Army	McWilliam, Priscilla Bonney	1936	Army
Holt, Cynthia	1941	Army	Mears, Ann	1942	Army
Holt, Norma Nesmith....	1942	Army	Meilleur, Winona	1941	Army
Horton, Ruth	1941	Army	Moles, Dorothy I.	1933	Army
Hoyt, Ruth	1929	Navy	Monaghan, Genevieve ...	1941	Army
Hussey, Edwina	1937	Army	Moore, Anna E.	1940	Army
James, Doris	1942	Army	Moore, Anna L.	1941	Army
Jarvis, Katherine	1940	Army	Moore, Christine H.	1929	Army
Jensen, Barbara	1939	Navy	Mosher, Louise G.	1936	Army
Jewell, Martha	1941	Army	Mulholland, Anna	1941	Army
Johnson, Elsie	1937	Army	Munroe, Barbara	1942	Navy
Johnson, Harriet L.	1941	Army	Nason, Eleanor	1942	Navy
Keane, Rita M.	1936	Army	Nelson, Earlyne	1942	Army
Kearns, Muriel	1936	Navy	Nelson, Margaret	1933	Army
Kellogg, Violet	1941	Army	Newcomb, Ruth	1942	Navy
Kerzick, Mildred	1934	Army	Nickerson, Dorothy A....	1938	Army
Kimball, Martha	1941	Navy	O'Brien, Margaret	1943	Army
King, Evelyn V.	1938	Army	O'Leary, Rita E.	1941	Army
Knights, Doris	1931	Army	Oosting, Minnie	1943	Army
Koziol, Genevieve	1943	Army	Ottley, Jean	1941	Army
Krook, Elsie	1932	Army	Passios, Alexandria	1942	Army
Lanouette, Naomi	1927	Army	Penniman, Ruth F.	1926	Army
Lawrence, Ruth	1931	Army	Pentecost, Claire	1940	Navy
Lord, Elizabeth W.	1932	Navy	Peterson, Barbara E.	1939	Army
Lowney, Carolyn	1941	Army	Piippo, Regina Arline ...	1941	Navy
Luby, Lillian L.	1940	Army	Pitman, Eleanor	1925	Army
Lunt, Louine M.	1930	Army	Plant, Eunice	1938	Army
Lyons, Catherine E.	1934	Army	Pritchard, Anna E.	1940	Army
MacNeill, Hazel W.	1935	Army	Quinn, Mary	1943	Army
MacSwain, Mary C.	1929	Army	Reardon, Mary F.	1940	Army
Madden, Philipmena	1941	Army	Reed, Carolyne Hay- ward	1922	Army
Mahoney, Margaret F.	1937	Army			
Mansfield, Shirley	1943	Navy			

Rein, Rita	1934 Navy	Sullivan, Helen	1941 Navy
Renn, Elsie G.	1941 Army	Sweeney, Mary	1941 Army
Roberts, Jean	1943 Army		
Rose, Eunice	1929 Army	Thigpen, Loran	1943 Army
Ross, Jean Perin	1943 Army	Tinkham, Anna L.	1940 Army
Russell, Alice G.	1941 Army	Tolman, Madeline A.	1933 Army
		Townsend, Lois	1932 Army
Sarad, Julia	1942 Navy	Triggs, Grace	1941 Navy
Sears, Virginia L.	1941 Army		
Shaw, Helen D.	1929 Army	White, Alice M.	1930 Army
Sheehan, Mary	1943 Army	Whittier, Eva	1932 Army
Sheldon, Lilla	1942 Army	Wilcox, Chloe D.	1935 Army
Sherer, Louise C.	1941 Army	Wilkins, Mary	1940 Army
Simpson, Phyllis Louise	1942 Navy	Willis, Irene E.	1941 Army
Slattery, Ethel M.	1929 Army	Wilson, Margaret E.	1938 Navy
Sloper, Lucia W.	1939 Army	Wilson, Mary E.	1935 Army
Smith, Constance	1943 Navy	Wright, Elizabeth	
Smith, Phyllis	1942 Navy	Upton	1927 Army
Smith, Ruth Myers	1942 Army	Wright, Helen Eliz-	
Southway, Doris Car-		abeth	1941 Army
penter	1922 Army	Wrigley, Nellie	1939 Army
Staats, Mary H.	1937 Navy		
Stacey, Eleanor C.	1933 Army	Yancey, Alice	1941 Army
Steele, Marie Elsie	1943 Army		
Stoney, Dorothy	1929 Army	Zagorin, Libby	1941 Army

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The A.N.A. Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

THE ALUMNAE

Engagements

Catherine Maitland (1943) to Mr. Donald E. L. Hallock of Baltimore, Maryland.

Jean Dignam Parant (1943) to Ensign Richard Morris Steer, U.S.N.R. of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Marriages

Madeleine Marie Hamel (1944) to Mr. Edward H. Hoelsch on June 3, 1944, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Priscilla Margaret Powers (1943) to Mr. Charles W. Harting on June 28, 1944 in Gloucester, Massachusetts.

Jeannette Hadley (1942) to Lt. Frank Roger Conant, U.S. M.C.R. in June.

Doris Marie Robitaille (1943) to Major Frederick J. Cole on August 17, 1944.

Marjorie Florence Sleep (1937) to Lt. (j.g.) Clinton William Pickering, U.S.N.R. on September 16, 1943, in the Baptist Church, Lynn, Massachusetts.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman A. Ripperton III (Alexandria Passios 1942) announce the birth of a son, Lyman Alonzo III, on May 24, 1944, at the Leton Hospital, Austin, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larkin (Mary Margaret Heney 1942) announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy, on June 16, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Larkin are living at 63 Carl Avenue, Brockton, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alden Scott (Irene M. Perrotti 1931) announce the birth of a son, John Ashley, on July 1, 1944, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Captain and Mrs. Russell E. Wigh (Emily Wyman 1936) announce the birth of a second son on July 7, 1944, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Crotty (Catherine F. Leonard 1937) announce the birth of a son, Harold, on July 30, 1944, at the Cardinal O'Connell House, Brighton, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Call (Eleanor Elizabeth Belcher 1940) announce the birth of a daughter, Christine, on August 8, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Call are living at 44 Concreve Street, Roslindale, Massachusetts.

Sgt. and Mrs. William E. Garlick (Phyllis Veazie Noland 1941) announce the birth of a daughter, Roberta Ellen, on August 21, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Donahue (Louise Bennett 1929) announce the birth of a son on August 28, 1944, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Donahue are living at 35 Chesborough Road, West Roxbury, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

ADELAIDE TEDFORD

Miss Adelaide Tedford (1902) died last November in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, following a short illness.

ELIZABETH A. FLUSK

Miss Elizabeth A. Flusk (1895) died on February 24, 1944, in Dorchester, Massachusetts. Miss Flusk had been a successful private duty nurse, and a loyal interested member of the Alumnae Association.

In Memoriam

CORINE SAMUELSON SHIELDS

Mrs. Corine Samuelson Shields of 187 Gilman Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, wife of John W. Shields, proprietor of Shields Typesetting Company, 181 Cannon Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, died Sunday, July 16, in St. Vincent's Hospital after three weeks' illness.

Mrs. Shields, daughter of Anna C. and the late Hilbert Samuelson, was born in Quincy, Massachusetts, October 20, 1891, and moved to South Ryegate with her family in 1901. She attended the village school and received her high school education at Woodward Institute, Quincy, Massachusetts.

In 1913 she completed the nurses training course at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. Her experience included night supervisor at the Massachusetts General Hospital and at the Holyoke City Hospital, Holyoke, Massachusetts; superintendent of nurses at the Reconstruction Hospital, New York City. While in Boston she volunteered for duty at the Halifax disaster with the Red Cross. During World War I she was an army nurse with the Base 55 Unit recruited at the Massachusetts General Hospital and served overseas for nine months where she worked with an operating team in the Meuse-Argonne area.

She became a member of the Jean Cargell Nurses' Post, No. 129, American Legion of Newington, Connecticut.

On August 21, 1922, she was married at South Ryegate to John W. Shields of Springfield, Massachusetts, by the Rev. William S. Wallace and Rev. John A. McClelland. They made their home in Brooklyn, New York, for a few years, after which they removed to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where Mr. Shields set up business.

Mrs. Shields was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Women's League of Bridgeport. She was also a member of the Black Rock Garden Club of the same city.

Besides her husband she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Anna C. Samuelson, of South Ryegate; a nephew, Lieut. Stanley H. Samuelson, with whom he had made his home since the death of his father, the late Edwin L. Samuelson; a sister, Mrs. Thomas H.

Dickson of Bridgeport, Connecticut; two brothers, Frederick H. Samuelson of South Ryegate and Carl O. Samuelson of Roslyn Estates, Long Island, New York; several nieces, Cpl. Eleanor C. Smith, now serving in England with a WAC unit, Mrs. Craigie A. Park, Glendeen and Elaine Samuelson and Betty Samuelson; a nephew, Edwin L. Samuelson, Jr.


Services were held at the First Presbyterian Church, Bridgeport, Connecticut, Tuesday evening at 7:30 with Dr. Alexander Alison, Jr., and the Rev. Samuel H. Moffett officiating.

The body was brought to Vermont for burial, service being held at the First Presbyterian Church, South Ryegate, Wednesday at 2:30 p.m., with Rev. George T. Wright, pastor of the Federated Church, officiating, assisted by Dr. Alexander Alison, Jr., of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

During the services Mrs. Charles Gibson played familiar hymns.

The bearers were Robert MacKenzie, Charles Gibson, J. Forbes Beaton, G. F. Rabaioli, Walter Buchanan and George MacDonald.

Interment was at Pinehurst cemetery in the Samuelson lot.



GRACIOUS LADIES

By Natalie Gordon

Eighty-five years young and extremely active, Mrs. Grace Whiting Myers of Brookline will be a speaker tomorrow at the meeting at the Hotel Kenmore of the New England branch of the American Association of Medical Record Librarians, which she organized in 1912 and for which she is honorary president for life. She has previously served as local, state and national president of the association. . . . Born and brought up in Worcester, she attributes her amazing good health and vigor to a natural inheritance from a long line of healthy and rugged ancestors. . . . In 1897 she became medical librarian of Treadwell Library at MGH, serving first as resident and later as record librarian, and proudly claims that no case record of the hospital is missing. She did research work and cataloguing for the doctors; and during the

last war compiled each week for the government a list of medical and surgical articles and aspects of the war, which she sent to the headquarters in Washington, whence it was sent to cantonments and camps throughout the country, for reference. . . . She has written numerous professional articles; spent one winter making a special study of medical derivatives; and wrote the second volume of the history of MGH from 1872 to 1900. . . . She maintains she has always enjoyed bringing order out of chaos and has actually made it a hobby. Called the "Mother of Record Librarians," she is included in the edition of Massachusetts Women of Vision and Accomplishment. . . . Throughout her life she has been interested in church work, and during the entire time she was working at MGH she taught a Bible class at her church, St. Luke's in Allston. . . . Of medium height, with snow white hair and a lovely complexion, she is undaunted by her failing sight and has knitted over 50 pairs of sea boots for British War Relief during the present crisis. . . . She has been abroad, to Jamaica, and made a tour of the hospitals east of the Mississippi. . . . She is fond of traveling, browses around town with indefatigable energy, is extremely modest about her accomplishments and particularly about the wonderful work she inaugurated.

Boston Traveler, September 13, 1944.

NEWS

Elizabeth Hall (Children's Hospital) has resigned as supervisor of pediatric wards to assume a new position. She will teach at Boston University and Children's Hospital.

Boston University is starting a new course in Pediatrics on Pediatric Nursing.

Katherine Maurer (1941) has completed one semester of her post-graduate course at Columbia and is now acting supervisor of the pediatric wards.

A class of fifty-two students was admitted on July 5. This is the third year during the present emergency that we have admitted a Summer class. Forty-six of the group are members of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps. The September entering class numbers eighty-four, sixty-seven are cadets. This makes a total of four hundred and seventy cadet nurses in the school.

Mrs. Fred Pace (Irene Smith 1936) has been relieving several of the head nurses in the O.P.D. during the summer.

continued their duties at the hospital; Mrs. James Clarke (Emma Millin 1910), Mrs. R. Perry Collins (Marjorie Chambers 1920), Mrs. Paul Jones (Edna Harrison 1910) worked in the Nursing Office, Mrs. Clarice Stern (Clarice Holloway 1928) as staff nurse, Mrs. Robert Palmer (Edith Morse 1928) came one afternoon a week to work in the Hypertensive Clinic in the O.P.D. Their assistance, as well as that of many other graduates who were able to come in, was most sincerely appreciated.

Those who have followed the inauguration and development of the Cadet Nurse Corps will be interested in those members who have reached their last six months of training and as "senior cadets" have gone outside hospital for special assignments. The first senior cadet to go to the Army went to Fort Devens on August 14; five more will go in September. The Navy too, will have its share; in September one cadet will go to the Naval Station at Portsmouth, Virginia. Henry Street in New York will give a public health senior cadet course to one nurse soon; two have completed their experience with the Boston Visiting Nurse Association and another cadet will follow them. The Massachusetts General Hospital has also received nurses from other hospitals for their senior cadet period; two from McLean Hospital for operating room and orthopedic experience respectively, and a nurse from the Newton Hospital for neurology. We are becoming familiar with the gray uniforms and silver insignia in both the summer and winter styles. Several members of the faculty have worn the uniform also. They wear three silver crosses on their shoulders to distinguish them from students. Shortly the "Nurse Education" insignia will be worn by these graduates.

Margaret Foote, Simmons College School of Nursing, with affiliation at M.G.H. in 1942), is acting head nurse on one of the children's wards.

The Baker Memorial, the General Hospital and from time to time, the Phillips House, have appreciated the services of the Senior Cadets who have elected to stay in the home school for their last six months.

Miss Johnson, Ruth Sleeper (1922) and Mrs. Andrews (Marie Scherer 1936) have been appointed on the advisory committee to the Division of Nursing Education at Boston University School of Education. Ruth Sleeper is chairman.

Christina Oddy (1939) has been appointed Director, School of Nursing at the Maine General Hospital in Portland, Maine.

Mrs. Lambert Hickey (E. Mildred Everett 1921) from Lockport, New York, visited the hospital recently with her son Charles who had just returned from a camp in Maine. Mrs. Hickey is chairman of the Nurses' Aide Committee and plans for their course at the Lockport City Hospital.

Margaret Giffin (1940) has been appointed Assistant Director of the School of Nursing at the New England Hospital for Women and Children in Boston, Massachusetts.

Ruth Bartlett (1942) took the four months course in Public Health Nursing at Simmons College and is now working in the Roxbury office of the V.N.A. in Boston.

Fannie Sepowitz (1944) is now Assistant Supervisor and Instructor of Obstetrics in the Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn, New York.

Ruth Horton (1941) Lt. A.N.C., who entered the service two years ago, has served five months on the Burma frontier and is now stationed in Calcutta. Many of her friends have doubtless read of her part in the care of Lt. Robert Wesselhoeft of Westwood, Massachusetts, who was stricken with infantile paralysis while flying far out in the jungles. He was kept alive for fourteen days by artificial respiration given by members of his party and six Chinese, then flown to the hospital in Calcutta. During the flight the pilot used his left hand to operate an improvised respirator. Lt. Horton was assigned to the case as soon as the patient arrived. By a strange coincidence, she learned the care of polio patients from the patient's uncle, Dr. Conrad Wesselhoeft, while she was on affiliation at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Boston. She has written that the patient now leaves his respirator for several hours each day and will soon be able to come home.

Mrs. Lee Goebel (Dorothy Parker 1920) is with a Federal Nursery School project in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. "Sunshine Mission" is a project for under-privileged children from broken homes or children of working mothers. The group from 2 to 6 years, 37 of them, with which Dorothy is concerned, arrive at 6:30 A.M. and leave at 7 P.M. Mrs. Goebel is spending a week-end in Chicago with her son Tom, who has just finished at Ames University and enters the Service September 15th.

Elizabeth A. Ulrich (1937) is now Instructor, Tuberculosis Nursing at the Loman Pavilion, City Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

Among the hospital visitors this summer, the class of 1922 was represented by three members: Mrs. Karl Gruppe (Statira

Johnson), Ruth Averill and Helen Flanagan. Helen Flanagan has been at Teachers College, Columbia, for the Spring and Summer semesters. She is going soon to Central instead of South America where she had previously been working. She told us that Mr. Samuel Zamurray, President of the United Fruit Company, has established a school in Honduras for boys of the Central and South American Republics. She is to direct the health program at the school. While in charge of the infirmary, her major responsibility is to teach good health and sanitation.

A V-mail letter from Lt. Louine Lunt (1930) Connor mentions the "awful heat earlier in our trip" and that she hopes "to see Doris Knights later on," so we can guess pretty well where she is stationed.

E. Jacqueline Davis, (1932) A.N.C. has been promoted to the rank of Captain. She is director of cadet nurses at the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.

Eleanor Page Bowen, Newton Hospital graduate, science instructor at the M.G.H. 1939-1943, and State Supervisor of Nursing Schools, Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing 1943-1944, is now Assistant Professor of Nursing Education at Boston University.

Hazel Halladay (1930) has just received the rank of Captain, A.N.C. She is Director of the Military Neuropsychiatric School for Nurses. Her first course was given at Camp Edwards, Mass. Among the graduates of this class of fifteen nurses was Katherine Jarvis (1940).

Major Doris Knights, A.N.C. wrote in June, with her letter headed "In Italy," where she and her nurses had just arrived from North Africa, where they had lived for fifteen months. During that period "the health of the nurses, dietitians, physical therapy aides and Red Cross workers as a whole was good. "When we moved from our original location there was a train trip which, while not too comfortable, was of great interest because we had such a good chance to see more of North Africa. Coming through the mountains the scenery was much like our own West. Some of the passes were very steep, requiring two engines for our long train, but the roadbed was good. We were crowded, hot, unbelievably dirty, and not too enthusiastic about the cold C rations. But all in all, the excitement of moving, the beautiful country, the thrill of getting closer to our fighting men more than made up for the discomfort. We had plenty of drinking water but were short of

wash water. You would have laughed to have seen the girls grab their helmets and run for the nearest faucet at every stop where we were permitted off the train . . . When we got off the train there was a thirty-minute drive in open trucks which I'm sure the girls will never forget. The road follows the shore closely, around hairpin turns, through tunnels (one of which is seven-eighths of a mile long) overlooking the blue Mediterranean—and all this we saw just at sunset. It reminds me much of the Columbia River Highway—so lovely it would give you a lump in your throat.

“We crossed in a hospital ship and it was a delightful change from the convoy coming over, especially because of no black out. The whole ship is lit up all night, we could smoke on deck after dark and throw waste overboard without fear of leaving a trail. Again the food was of the best and we luxuriated once more in sheets, pillows and pillow cases. There was plenty of soft, warm water and I think every single girl had a shampoo sometime during the trip. The first day and night the sea was really rough and about a dozen were pretty well ‘flattened out.’ The next day all was as calm as a mill pond and by night everyone was on her feet. The moon was almost full, the air soft and warm, and they began to understand why people take Mediterranean cruises. As we disembarked the nurses and all others were assigned to many different hospitals in and around this city on detached service, pending the functioning of our own hospital again. It will be valuable experience, they'll pick up some new ideas and we'll all be that much happier when we get together again.”

Winifred Holmes (1941) is Instructor in Nursing Arts at Aloysia Hardy School of Nursing at Manhattan College, N. Y.

One of our few letters from the South Pacific has been received from Mary Staats (1934). In her home and foreign travels she has met several M.G.H. doctors. She writes: “While I was at Portsmouth, Virginia, I saw Dr. Whitelaw (Surgeon) (Navy) M.G.H. 1937. Dr. Irad Hardy was at U. S. Marine Camp Pendleton for a short time after my arrival for duty at U.S.N. Hospital at Santa Margarita Ranch, Oceanside (which served Camp Pendleton). However his division went overseas before we learned of each other's presence in the vicinity. I met Lt. Cmdr. W. H. Evans of the E.E.N.T.M.G.H. about 1916, aboard a ship on my way to this destination. Dr. B. M. Jacobson, Lt. Cmdr. M.C. Navy, formerly Dr. Talbot's assistant at the M.G.H., is a medical officer attached to this mobile unit. Dr. Parmar Kundert, M.C. Navy, is also of the medical department here. Dr. Kundert was a Harvard Medical student on East Medical Service in 1933.

Captain Gephart, Army 17th Field Hospital, on this island, is visiting for dinner here Saturday night (Surgical M.G.H. 1941).” Especially interesting too, are the following extracts from her letters: “There are 50 nurses, our living conditions are fairly comfortable considering that we are in advanced area. Pills stick in the bottles from the humidity. Harmless lizards run across one’s feet on the wards. We find it quite an adjustment to this climate; even with the greatest precaution, heat rash, athlete’s foot and other skin conditions frequently occur to hamper us in our daily duties. April 1st, I was promoted Lt. Junior Grade, quite unexpectedly from my viewpoint.

“My Victory garden, alongside a foxhole nearby our Quonset hut, is sprouting. The experiment of watching familiar plant life grow under these climatic conditions will be interesting. I find the soil dark and fertile in appearance but contains very little humus. It is gluey clay-like in consistency which makes it difficult to pulverize for seeds. Coral causes a high lime content. It rains many times a day and I doubted that the seeds would germinate before rotting; however, several tiny plants are growing. I’m hoping against worms which frost normally exterminates in Ohio climate. The Japs did not safely dispose of excreta during their occupancy here, so that vegetables will not be safely usable when harvesting occurs. One must guard against dysentery. Perhaps my flower seeds will bear familiar beauty for those who may look upon their blossoms.

“Cocoanuts thrive readily in this soil; 25 per cent of the ripe nuts dropping from the trees root and grow within a few weeks, which is a higher percentage of fertility for that plant than in most islands out here. Orchids also are in the jungle.

“I’ve found a map bearing time zones; according to it when you have 7 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, it is 10 P.M. here; however according to the calendar it is one day later out here.

“We are learning to ration our efforts more judiciously and whenever possible avoid exertion causing streaming of perspiration. This is an extremely easy thing to do. Adjustment to climatic conditions is experimental as we are the first white women to be stationed in such a climate. To date no solution has been found for the seeming necessary process of ironing uniforms. More and more we respect the order for sleeping under nets for malaria control. Malaria has a high rate in the Marine Corps.

“Fortunately I’ve had a chance to return with a party to the native Melanesian village. An interpreter requested them not to run away from the village when our doctor visits for ‘He comes to make you well.’ There was much evidence of diseases we know

and they also have jaws. Their life span is short. A 29-year-old man, aged looking, said his oldest child was already married. The school teacher very ceremoniously posed with his family for a picture.

"They are raising a 20-month-old Chinese baby girl whose missionary parents were killed; the father by the Japs, the mother by the natives to avoid social dissension among themselves and mixture of blood. I received a ceremonial wand from them which is used by the women in their dances. I also have a couple of grass skirts and a mahogany walking cane inlaid with mother of pearl.

Many alumnae who knew Elizabeth Ravina (1923) must have wondered about her, during these years since France lost its independence. News of her appeared recently in the *Boston Herald* for September 6th, as follows: "Elizabeth Ravina, operating room supervisor at the American Hospital in Paris was seeking today to trace Dr. Sumner Jackson, famous American surgeon who disappeared after he, his wife and son were interned by the Germans on charges of harboring American fliers."

Mrs. Winifred Conrick Kahmann of Washington, D.C., sister to Mrs. Harold Tucker (Catherine A. Conrick 1913) and Mrs. John V. Gallagher (Ellen J. Conrick 1916), is Superintendent of all "Occupational Therapy" for the Army—the first woman to have this responsibility. Mrs. Kahmann is teaching soldiers to use their injured muscles again and training them to handle artificial limbs so skilfully that they are not handicapped. It is the realization of a dream she has had ever since she took up therapy as a career during World War I.

Mildred Irene Taylor (1920) Supervisor of Instructive Visiting Nurse Society in Washington, D. C., spent a few days in Boston last summer, en route to her cottage at Caspian Lake, Greensboro, Vermont.

Many M.G.H. nurses were saddened by the death on August 8, 1944, of Mary Frances Hayden, in her seventy-third year, after a week's illness. Miss Hayden had been the loyal, conscientious head nurse of the Ear Clinic at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary since April 1, 1921. Miss Hayden served as Army nurse in France during World War I.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Frank (Mary V. Norton 1929) and three daughters, Allison, Virginia and Nancy, have recently moved to 284 Princeton Road, Rockville Center, Long Island, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Tibbetts (Ruth S. Tyler 1916) are now living in White Plains, New York.

Mrs. James Monagle (Elizabeth C. Haworth 1937) and small son, Dick, of Indianapolis, Indiana, visited her father and sisters in Medford last August.

Mrs. George G. Byrnes (Eva C. MacDonald 1909) of 535 16th Avenue N. E., St. Petersburg 4, Florida, writes that her son, George, Jr., a fortress pilot, was knocked down last October over Germany and is now a prisoner of war ninety-five miles south of Berlin. Gordon, a lieutenant in the Navy, is engineer on a destroyer escort. Another son, Cameron, is with the amphibious engineers in England and a daughter, Nancy, is in boarding school.

Lt. Reed (Carolyn S. Hayward 1922) writes that she is a member of 97th General Hospital, A.P.O. 647, now stationed in England.

Mrs. Marion B. Donnelly (Marion Blake 1939) writes that she is Industrial Nurse in charge of the health program for all civilian employees at the Army Air Base in Charleston, South Carolina. Her husband, Capt. George W. Donnelly, is armament officer of the 113th Base Unit, at the same Base.

Mrs. J. Beach Hazard (Etta M. Holly 1931) formerly Red Cross Nurse of the diplomatic exchange ship Gripsholm, and Supervisor of the volunteer nursing services at the M.G.H., was guest speaker at the graduating exercises on July 2, 1944, for forty Red Cross volunteer nurses' aids trained at the Symmes-Arlington Hospital and the New England Baptist Hospital.

We are pleased to report that Edwina N. Hussey (1937) and Mary Finn (1939) both members of the 5th General Hospital (Peter Bent Brigham Hospital Unit) now in France, have been promoted to 1st lieutenants.

Beatrice Belisle (1941) formerly operating room nurse with the 120th Station Hospital in England, later volunteering with an emergency surgical team stationed in Cornwall, England, was evacuated to this country by plane to Fort Dix, New Jersey, last July, because of ill health. Before leaving England, Miss Belisle married Mr. Jervis Lee Stanford of Birmingham, Alabama.

On September 11th, in Ashburnham, Massachusetts, Sgt. David S. Nivison, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nivison (Ruth Robinson 1915) of Mobile, Alabama, was married to Ensign Cornelia Green. Both are stationed in Washington, D. C.

On July 3, 1944, Elizabeth, the daughter of Margaret Gleason (1910) and the late Major Harrison B. Webster, U.S.A.M.C. (M.G.H. 1910) was married to Lt. (j.g.) Robert Harrington Simmons, U.S.N.R. at 4 o'clock in the Chapel of Arlington Street Church, Boston, Massachusetts.

Marjorie Cross (1934) medical and surgical supervisor at the New England Hospital for Women and Children, resigned to go to her home in Detroit, Michigan. In September she enrolled at Wayne University for a course in Public Health Nursing.

Halina A. Filipak (1928) is a member of the staff at the New England Hospital for Women and Children, Head Nurse of a surgical ward.

Victoria C. Mayer (1915) has passed the merit system for permanent status as Director of the Nursing Service in the State Department of Health, Farmington, New Mexico.

Major Kathleen H. Atto (1922) head of the 2nd Service Command Nurse Corps, was one of the speakers at the luncheon meeting of the "Come and See" tours arranged by member agencies of the New York War Fund, last June.

Sallie L. Mernin (1916) has resigned her position as Assistant Director of the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps to resume her duties as Assistant Professor of Nursing Education at the University of Chicago.

Marjorie M. Dawson (1936) 1st Lt. A.N.C. now stationed at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, was a hospital visitor in July.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning Carien (Viola Lind 1930) and two children, spent the summer in Orleans, Massachusetts.

Miss Mary L. McKenna (1896) of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, has been enjoying Boston and her friends, following an operation for a cataract.

We are pleased to report that Miss Josephine M. Gordon (1895) is making a good convalescence following her operation at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

How many remember the Blossom Street gate and entrance? Sad but true it is no more, as the masons have built a new brick wall from the Director's house to the Lodge.

Base Hospital No. 6 nurses are pleased to read of the appointment of Verda F. Hickcox as Director of Staff Welfare for the American Red Cross in the European theater of operations. Miss Hickcox, a member of Base Hospital No. 13, Chicago Presbyterian

Hospital Unit, was attached to our Base on June 17, 1918, working with us for several months. She made many lasting friendships. We wish her success and God speed.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. G. Ralph Loughton (Florence L. McLennan 1902) in the death of her husband on August 30, 1944, at Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Mr. Robert O. Henderson, known to many of the M.G.H. graduates, has just completed 50 years of faithful service at the M.G.H. He was graduated from the McLean Hospital School of Nursing in 1892 and came to the M.G.H. in September 1894. For many years he instructed and supervised the Orderlies. He was transferred to Phillips House in December 1918 where he is still on duty.

Because of transportation difficulties, not many M.G.H. nurses wandered too far away from the New England States, yet some ventured: Adele L. Corkum (1934) and Alma B. Cady (1935) tried out the Florida sunshine; Walborg L. Peterson (1926) visited in Aberdeen, Maryland; Melissa J. Cook (1912) enjoyed the cool breezes of Ogunquit Beach, Maine; Alvira B. Stevens (1909) took her first plane ride to Canada; Hope A. Wheelock (1916) spent her time in Calais, Maine, with her mother; Hilda G. Blaisdell (1920) enjoyed her home and friends in Franklin, Maine, near Bar Harbor; Josephine A. Mulville (1913) returned to Harborside, Maine, where she tried her luck deep sea fishing and using the paint brush; Anna Griffin (1910) explored the small towns and country-side around Woodsville, New Hampshire; Annie M. Robertson (1910) returned to Montreal and Scotstown, Quebec, where she enjoyed boating, swimming, picnicking and participated in making a movie; Dorothy Tarbox (1915) was at home at "Covelly Farm" Westport, Maine, and occupied her time mowing the lawn, painting the cemetery fence, berrying, fishing, etc., and enjoyed plenty of lobster and fresh vegetables; Margaret Meenan (1930) and Anne Crotty (1930) had a cottage at Orleans, Massachusetts; "Peg" Reilly (1916) renewed her youth at the Trapp Family Camp in Stowe, Vermont; Eileen M. Gilmartin (1929) was home in Bridgeport, Connecticut, viewed the bright lights of New York, saw the beautiful country-side of the White Mountain range from North Conway, New Hampshire; Mrs. Everett Trask (Sallie Rowter 1918) shook off the burdens of the "Front Desk" and partook of the gay life of New York; Reta A. Corbett (1923) of Stillman Infirmary, went to Fredrickton, New Brunswick; where Ruth Hutchinson (1920) went, is a secret! Ruth Sleeper (1922) enjoyed the serenity of York Beach,

with her brother ; Miss Johnson visited her old home in the nutmeg state, and we hope she had a good rest ; Jessie M. Stewart (1935) spent her time in Gloucester, Massachusetts ; Martha L. Davidson (1932) enjoyed the warm breezes of Casco Bay on Long Island, Maine ; strange as it may seem, Nancy Fraser (1914) tore herself away from the "sick" long enough to enjoy a vacation with her brother and sister in Canada.

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than ever before,
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and Hope,
and new Happiness.



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KEEPING CHRISTMAS

Henry Van Dyke

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world, to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow-men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts hungry for joy, to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

There Will Always Be A Christmas

No month in the year is more festive than December—the month of Christmas, of brotherly feeling and faithful rejoicing.

Already the downtown area has taken on the aspects of the Yuletide season—gay displays, shimmering gold and silver, bright lights and merry shopping crowds. But this is America . . .

There are corners of the world where the lights will not go on again for Christmas. On the Mediterranean and European fronts are those who will never see the coming holiday. Not to be forgotten are the men and women who have already given their lives so that we at home might know and enjoy Christmas in a democracy.

It was faith, hope and love that made Christmas—faith in the Christ Child, hope for the future and love for the Saviour. The Yuletide message, "Peace on earth to men of good will," strikes at the heart of all happy living. Paradoxical as it may sound, world events have shown that to maintain peace we must fight for it.

There **must** and will **always** be a Christmas. When we ring out the old year and herald in the new, let us be able to look back on this period with justifiable pride. Soon the curtain of the New Year will be rising; and we who can only see a little behind the fringe into the future, urge you to support the 6th War Loan Drive, so that the spirit in which Christmas was founded and grew may extend into time immemorial.

Ethel M. Shaw (1945)

Charleston Port of Embarkation
Charleston, South Carolina
August 20, 1944

Dear Miss McCrae:

It was so nice to get your letter and the copies of the "News." I enjoyed both very much, but will say that Ruth Sinclair has been very loyal about writing and also sends me the "News." It certainly is a nice way to keep informed of the doings of the different members in Service.

Yes, we do have some very hot weather down here and I'm convinced that I was never built for it. Guess I'm a dyed-in-the-wool New Englander, and like the variable climate. However, I will only have to endure it for a few more days. Our ship will be here this week, and we will be off to our assigned duties, and in the meantime, enjoy the sea breezes, although I'm not so sure about my abilities as a sailor! I'm keeping my fingers crossed and hope I will be too busy to be bothered with any such thing as sea sickness. Possibly you have heard or read about these Army Hospital Ships. They are a wonderful project and certainly are doing a good job in bringing back the wounded. Since I have been here, I have seen many of them return and have been aboard most of them to look around. They are a complete hospital afloat with every convenience in the way of equipment. I feel very fortunate in being assigned to such a Unit.

Did you know that Miriam Atwood Dow (1924) and Earlyne Nelson (1942) are on the 218th U.S.A.H.S. Complement. Their address is Care Postmaster, New York, New York.

I have one M.G.H. nurse with me, Helen Pace Donnelly—she graduated a very short time ago—so possibly you wouldn't know her. We were all together at one time at Camp Myles Standish.

We are not too busy here at the moment, so my nurses have been getting in trim with daily calisthenics, drill, athletics, lectures, etc. That along with packing and getting ready keeps us well occupied. It's surprising how many things can collect in one small room in so short a time.

I had a letter from Betty Dumaine several weeks ago, from India.

My very best wishes to you

Sincerely,

Doris E. Ellinwood (1925)
209th U.S.A.H.S. Complement
Station Hospital

England General Hospital
Atlantic City
October 10, 1944

Dear Miss McCrae:

Thank you so much for your card! That is a "heavy" address for a girl who had to sign a 16 lb. waiver (for underweight).

They are certainly trying hard to prepare us and want us to be good Army nurses. The administration is different, but my M.G.H. training will stand me in good stead.

I truly feel very sorry for the personnel in civilian hospitals. Really they deserve a lot more praise for trying to run hospitals so short handed, than we, who have run away from it all.

Miss Johnson and you, next to my own mother, will be the women I shall try to follow most.

Our uniforms are lovely, don't you think? They are so patient trying to get us all fitted and supplied. Uncle Sam is certainly generous. I counted and so far I have 72 pieces, and more to come.

The food here is excellent.

I don't know when I will be able to write to you again, as we are busy about 12 hours and then with studying and personal affairs.

Do keep well.

I will write again when I can.

Sincerely,

Lt. May L. Flett, A.N.C. (1923)

England
October 25, 1944

Dear Miss McCrae:

It seems incredible that it is a year since I saw you last. Time passes so swiftly that it is hard to remember what we were doing a week ago.

In July, Lt. Esther M. Bean (1934) and Lt. Mary C. Collidge (1927) and I were transferred to a general hospital as our old outfit was broken up. When we arrived here we found two more M.G.H. girls, Lt. Mary M. DeWolfe (1943) a recent graduate who was Miss Perkins' assistant and Lt. Isabel Holmes (1941) so we are well represented.

Work in a General Hospital is quite different from our last place. How you would love to see it here.

I have never seen anything as clean and shining as the three wards I am working on at the moment. Each is about

as big as Ward F. All are orthopedic. I can't tell you how I love to walk around and see all these boys safely tucked in and asleep; at peace after what they have been through but, of course, I do not need to tell you, you know.

I was pretty surprised to see what an overseas hospital is like. The floors are waxed to a high polish, the brass glistens, every bottle in the medicine closet is in perfect order. They have blue curtains at all the windows (which same windows are washed once a week) and lovely white wool blankets with blue edging on the beds.

The patients are clean and well cared for. They are so patient and cooperative that everything you do for them is a pleasure. They are bathed every other day and have their finger and toe nails cleaned and clipped, oil to the soles of their feet and back care A.M., P.M., and in the evening.

The corps men do a splendid job and are a joy to work with. Most of them are so kind and considerate and good to the patients that I never cease to be amazed. The patients have nourishment in the afternoon and hot soup at bedtime and plenty of fruit juice for forcing fluids. In short I am happy as I can be to be taking care of such a wonderful group of patients who respond so beautifully to treatment.

I will write soon again.

Best regards.

Grace R. Forgey (1933).

Somewhere in England.

Dear Miss McCrae:

Many things have happened since the day I visited you. It wasn't long until I was assigned to an overseas unit and started more training. Had four days leave and went home and by July 31 I had landed in Southern England just about where I had hoped we would. We had a most interesting and enjoyable trip over, and I really enjoyed every minute of it. I wasn't the least bit sea sick and spent so much time up on deck that I landed here looking very well and feeling grand. I am quite near where Miss W. Peterson was when she was over with the Harvard Unit. The country-side is so beautiful and interesting. I have taken so many long cross-country hikes as I just never get tired of all the interesting and beautiful flowers and shrubs. I have picked heather and always have a bouquet of flowers in my corner of the room. I wish you could see the holly and ivy we have just everywhere. My enjoyment of the country has been my salvation here. The lack of privacy and noise and

confusion have been hard for me to get used to, but have managed somehow.

We can get into town at least once a week. I was off this afternoon so came into the Red Cross Officers Club—had supper and am now sitting in the waiting room by an open fire trying to catch up with my letter writing. Transportation is my difficulty here, especially getting back at night.

We have a pretty good hospital set up—have barracks to live in—a good mess hall and club and get good food. We do miss sweets and fresh fruit but do manage without it. Our hospital we set up right from the dirty buildings but it is all quite settled now and running along smoothly. I am in charge of the O.R. and really have enjoyed it a great deal. I had wanted to do that once upon a time but had no idea of doing it in the Army but have passed the many inspections without any trouble. We have been fairly busy but not rushed to death. It is all much different than working in a civilian hospital. M.G.H. is very poorly represented here, so I am very much on my own.

Mail has been rather poor for me, both from my Boston friends and especially from home. Mother has always been so faithful about writing that I miss her letters so much. She has been very well and busy all summer over at my sisters, and still able to do a lot of work even if she does complain about getting old. She always dreads the winter when she can't get out as much as she should. She has been very easy on me coming over—no fuss at all.

I hope you are feeling comfortable and not trying to do too much. Would enjoy a letter if you have time to write me.

Yours truly,

Gula Boyce (1928)
2nd Lt. Gula R. Boyce, ANC 752897
119th General Hospital
A.P.O. 314 Care Postmaster
New York, New York.

Assam, India
October 27, 1944

Dear Nick:

A letter from you awaited me on my arrival at the ends of no-where and how pleased I was to get it. Really I was just about sunk because I had been so long without mail. The only consolation was the fact that everyone else was in the same predicament. Now for the all important news which I know you

are dying to hear. We are in India, province of Assam, on the Ledo road. Get out your map of the far East and you can figure out for yourself what it's all about. The only redeeming feature is the N. Y. address. At least that makes us feel that we are on the way home. Rather a stretch of the imagination, isn't it.

Under existing circumstances I suppose I could say we had a good trip out. I've always loved ocean traveling but of course only knew it in the days of deck chairs and steamer rugs and all the sea-going comforts. And believe me that's the only way to have it. When you have only a steel deck to squat on, on your haunches day after day it's rather monotonous to say the least. When the weather is cold you freeze your tail and when it's hot you fry—and there's no way of getting away from that tail. We rocked and rolled and pitched and tossed and played leap frog all over the seven seas. Many were miserable but with my usual luck I didn't miss a meal or lose one either. We had one scare and never knew whether it was practice or the real thing. But the men went to their posts with fire in their eyes and a grim expression on their faces, courses were changed and many depth bombs were dropped. But nothing happened to us. We were all relieved—for many reasons—to arrive on Indian soil.

Our first city was quite a novelty to us and I think we all enjoyed it there—sight-seeing and shopping, etc. We saw many attractive well dressed Indian women there. They really are lovely to look at. They are slender and small featured and have a marvelous carriage. And their sari's are so colorful and graceful. Of course the streets are over-run with peddlers, beggars, snake charmers and magicians, etc. I spent most of my time there sight seeing. Several of us got a guide and hired a taxi and went out to see what we could see. He showed us all the public buildings—all types of burying grounds—cremations and vulture eating bats—native laundries, gardens, places of worship and we even took off our shoes and went into a Moslem temple while they were bowing their heads to the floor and praying to Allah—probably for our destruction. We really enjoyed ourselves. But when we left that city and started our overland trek, it didn't take any of us long to sicken of India and I'll never want to see it again. It's full of filth and dirt and beggars chasing you and asking for alms until you could scream. They put up beautiful buildings and never spend a cent on repair or up-keep. Cows roam everywhere unmolested, and you know what the cow pasture is like. People wash their clothes, clean their teeth, take baths, haircuts and shaves and every imaginable

proceeding right in the gutters in what to me looks like sewer water. We travelled by train after train, river barges and more trains, and were finally met by our own G. I. trucks driven by our own American boys. And were we glad to see them. We had eaten nothing but K-rations for days. These are the kind that come sealed in boxes—dry and hard chewing. I managed fine until I picked up a cold and then I just couldn't stomach them any longer. So I lived on tea, coffee and boullion for four days and believe me I'm making up for it now.

We are living in tents—four to a tent. I am in with the girls who are old members of this Unit and they are very nice. We each have a folding cot with mosquito net and that is the sum total of the furnishings. We wear nothing but slacks and long sleeved shirts after sun-down and plaster ourselves with greasy mosquito lotion so you can imagine how glamorous we look. But I don't give a toot what happens or how we have to live as long as we get somewhere in this awful mess and help the boys. And they certainly brighten up when they see the American nurses come onto the scene. They're just dying to hear us talk and don't care what we talk about—just want to hear our voices and laugh with us.

Guess I've gone on long enough for now. I have so many letters to write so that I'll get some more some day—the only thing to look forward to out here—so I know you'll forgive me if I don't tell you more now. Do keep on writing and give my best to everybody.

Love
Mildred Ethier (1920)
Lt. A.N.C.

—India Tea Garden—

"We started off on a hike and went through a tea-plantation. They call them tea-gardens here and when I first heard the expression I thought they meant it was a place where you bought afternoon tea. But not so.

The tea-plants are bushes about the height of our hedges back home. The bushes grow close together and all thru' the garden are these lovely tall trees, graceful as our elms. Don't know what they are called but they are lovely to look at. Tea flowers are a waxy white, much like orange blossoms but about the size of a quarter. The leaf looks much like a gardenia leaf, dark green, waxy and thick. They only pick the two new leaves at the top for tea. Most of the pickers are women. When they bring in their day's picking it is weighed and they can

either take their pay in money or the equivalent in rice. We were told that most of them take rice. They say that tea-picking is a trade that is handed down from one generation to another and all the picking families live in villages near the gardens and that they are born, live and die in those villages without ever seeing any place else during their lives. Isn't that some existence?

I guess most of them had never seen white women before. We seemed to be quite a curiosity. They came and looked at us and laughed. I suppose we look funny to them as they do to us."

M. Ethier

Somewhere in Belgium
November 3, 1944

Dear Miss Johnson:

I presume your mail is heavy with letters from M.G.H. graduates from varied parts of the globe.

We have just moved into an old school house after living in tents since shortly after D-Day, and it is a joy to be able to bathe in an old tub instead of a helmet, and be able to press our clothes to say nothing of removing layers of mud from our paratrooper boots.

In this campaign the 3rd Auxiliary Nurses have been running the operating rooms and central supply of the Field Hospitals. I am a team leader in charge of the 2nd Platoon of the 13th Field Hospital and have found the work very interesting. As we operate on only the serious cases who can not be evacuated to the Evacuation Hospitals, we do mostly abdominal and chest surgery.

Major Frances Findlay (E.S.1924) is in charge of one of the Surgical Teams and it's always a pleasure to work with M.G.H. trained men. He very generously passes on the M.G.H. News and I in turn give it to Mary Lou Carpenter who is one of the Platoon Nurses in this hospital.

The rural districts of Belgium seem much more prosperous than in France, though the French people are more cordial in their welcome.

On "All Saints Day" the highways were lined with family groups, dressed in deep black, coming and going to church with arm loads of white chrysanthemums, and at every farm house and change of routes the beautiful shrines are massed with freshly cut flowers.

The towns and villages are off limits and we look longingly

at the fruit stalls loaded with grapes, pears and apples. The contrast with those in England is very out-standing, for we American people miss the fresh fruits and vegetables we always took so for granted.

The Buzz bombs wake us regularly but after being up as near as any medical installation is allowed, one becomes used to the various noises.

I do hope you are well for I realize the strain this war is putting on the folks who are holding down the Home Front.

Sincerely,

Nathalie Davis (1928)

Lt. A.N.C.

Staff Education Program 1944-1945

During the week of October 16th it was proposed to all members of the nursing staff of the Massachusetts General Hospital, Baker Memorial, Phillips House, and the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, who will be concerned with teaching the student nurses, that we have a series of 15 weekly meetings to discuss our present plans for clinical teaching on the wards. The following week the meetings began and will continue through the middle of February. To maintain the attendance which is between 65 and 70 without sacrificing nursing care of the patients, the topic discussed on Mondays from 1 to 2:45 p. m. is repeated on Wednesdays. Following the policy always maintained here for staff education program, one hour of this is allowed on "on duty" time whenever it is compatible with the care of patients.

The three main areas being discussed are:

1. the place of clinical instruction in the total curriculum of the school
2. the methods of teaching student nursing care
3. the materials available for increasing the knowledge of the patients condition.

These meetings are conducted by Miss Frances Reiter, Supervisor of Clinical Instruction.

A Real Armistice

The observance of Armistice Day this year, brings to mind some thoughts on the subject of War and Peace. We believe that the present war is an outgrowth of the Versailles Treaty and other injudicious settlements made at the close of World War I. But, we do not agree with that school of thought which maintains that war is inevitable. The riddle of peace is something which we do not presume to solve. We believe, however, that there are certain basic principles which go hand in hand with peace. Of greatest significance perhaps, is tolerance. And herein enters self-examination. Throughout this country are numerous groups whose chief objective is to undermine and foster hatred for certain racial and religious minorities. (The Klu Klux Klan and the Christian Frontiers continue to work under cover.) More than any other perhaps, do we of the nursing profession see the end results of war in shattered fragments of humanity. To meet and to care for the returning wounded should, in itself, be an education against war. We hold that education and democracy for the many, rather than the few, are the cornerstone of peace. When the broad masses of the people are educated in the **Truth**, when tolerance becomes a **Reality** and not a catchword, when democracy becomes a **Practice** and not a political theory, and when labor and capital are permitted to arrive at a **Fair** settlement of their difference, then, and **Then Only**, will we have a **Real Armistice**.

Ethel M. Shaw (1945)



Christmas Candlelight Service

The Christmas Candlelight Service will be held in the Rotunda of the Moseley Memorial Building on Wednesday evening December 20, 1944, at 8:30 o'clock. The speaker will be Reverend Carl Heath Kopf of Mount Vernon Church. You are cordially invited.

ALUMNAE MEETINGS

The first meeting of the season, of the M.G.H. Nurses' Alumnae Association, was held October 31, 1944, in the Upper Out-Patient Amphitheater. Dr. Reginald Smithwick discussed "Surgical Treatment of Hypertension." Interesting graph charts and slides were shown and all were much interested in this new surgical procedure. Dr. Smithwick perfected this operation.

The November twenty-eighth meeting was a continuation of this lecture. Dr. John Graham, graduate assistant, spoke briefly on the operating procedure. Mis Olive Dingle, Dr. Smithwick's technician, demonstrated some of the important diagnostic methods and Helen E. French (1928) explained the post-operative nursing care and showed the special corset and pressure sponges on one of the true patients.

THE CHAPEL

of the

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL

Open every hour of the day and night, is for the Great Hospital
Family, Workers, patients, and Friends. A place of
Spiritual Refreshment, Beautiful, Intimate,
Restful, the Chapel seems to say,

"Whoever will may enter here, of any creed or no
creed. Whatever your care, your problem, your sorrow,
your hope, yield your best self, make of me what you will,
I am at your Service."

In Silence, in Thought, in Prayer, in Search of Fresh Light and
Faith, in a few moments of Reading, or of Music,
We Gain Courage and Hope;
We go out Refreshed, Strong, Serene, Confident

The following items are reprinted from the Massachusetts General Hospital "News" of November, 1944:

Due to war conditions, the 98th anniversary of Ether Day was celebrated very informally. The high light of this year's festivities was a large array of snapshots of almsot all of the staff members, and many of the graduates, now in military service. These were obtained, from the men's wives or from the men themselves, by Dr. Benjamin Castleman, who was in charge of the exhibit.

The entire outside wall of the Brick Corridor was lined with large red, white, and blue placards covered with photographs—red for the Pacific Theatre of War, white for the men in the United States, and blue for the European and Mediterranean Theatres. Outstanding were pictures of the 6th and 105th General Hospitals, George Marks's experiences during the Buna Campaign, Prime Minister Fraser and Admiral Halsey visiting McGinn's and Carmody's wards in New Zealand, Tracy Mallory flanked by a pyramid and sphinx in Egypt, Colonel Churchill and John McKittrick near a volcano in Italy, Irad Hardy at Saipan and Tinian, and John Talbott's Climatic Research Laboratory in Lawrence.

On the opposite wall was an excellent display of water colors painted by Grantley Taylor while he was in North Africa and Italy.

In the corner, near the door leading into the Yard, was a section labelled "CAPTURED BOOTY." This included a Nazi flag, taken by Leo Burgin while going through France with the 1st Division; a Japanese flag, brought back by Sylvester McGinn; a set of Japanese surgical instruments, picked up by Theodore Pratt while in Guadalcanal; a copy of a farewell address from a Japanese general to his men at Saipan before committing hari-kiri, sent in by Mrs. Robert Barker; and two German helmets, from Mrs. Ludwig.

Colored moving pictures of the 6th General Hospital, taken in Africa and Italy, and of Volunteer Day here at M.G.H. were shown in the Bulfinch Dome.

Punch and cookies were served in the Brick Corridor.

So many people are continuing to show interest in the Brick Corridor exhibit that it has been decided to allow the pictures to remain on display for a while longer as a part of the campaign material for our United War Fund drive.

Appreciation for the attractive appearance of the exhibition is extended to Miss McLatchie and her staff in the Medical Illustration Department, and to the Photographic Department.

On November 1, 1944 all nurses, graduates and students, started on a new salary basis. Graduates receive a higher cash salary, but pay for their maintenance and laundry if they live in a residence, or have this money for rent if they live out. All meals are on a cash basis. Student nurses are issued books of tickets which are used in the dining room on the basis of one dollar a day, for three meals. The cafeteria now offers a wide variety of choices and has a "special" at noon and at night. This provides well balanced meals on the daily food allowance. Adjustments and improvements are still in progress, and many comparisons are being made to see what choices are selected and how the nurses manage to stay within or below their budgets.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.
 2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.
 3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
 4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
 5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.
 6. For the Loan Fund to Helen Wood, Director, School of Nursing, Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts.
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M. G. H. Caps

Purchase from Miss Eunice Bradstreet, 427 East High St., Manchester, N. H. Mail order 6 for \$2.75, 3 for \$1.50 postpaid. Caps may also be purchased from Miss Hannah M. Wood, 423 East 64th Street, Apt. 47, 2nd Stairway, New York City, and Mrs. Catherine Britt, 175 Larch Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 40 cent each.

+ + STUDENTS PAGE + +

In the past few months student nurses have carried on any number of interesting and significant activities. As we review the passing parade of events, we are conscious of one happy fact: the student nurse at M.G.H. plays as hard as she works—if not harder.

The S.N.C.A. Revision Committee is at the present time a diligent student group. Its chief purpose is to revise the S.N.C.A. constitution and thereby attempt to stimulate greater participation in student government. Foremost among the proposed revisions are: (1) that two-thirds of the Council shall constitute a quorum; (2) all members who absent themselves from Council Meetings shall be answerable to Judicial Board; (3) provision be made for all students on affiliation to be able to vote by mail in student elections; (4) any twenty-five students have the privilege of calling a special meeting of the Council.

For the first time in its history, the student nurse monthly publication, "The Drawsheet" has been afforded official recognition and standing by the Council. According to the proposed constitution "The Drawsheet shall be the official organ of the S.N.C.A." This action lays the cornerstone for the fullest cooperation between the "The Drawsheet" and the representative body of student self-government.

This article would not be complete without some mention of the recent senior class play "Here She Comes." On Friday evening, September 29th, the Class of '45 presented the hilarious three act comedy "Here She Comes" from the stage of the Peabody Playhouse, thus making the first time in the history of M.G.H. that student nurses attempted a theatrical production on a professional basis. We think the production went over "with a bang," but most entertaining of all, perhaps, were the ad-libbing and those few split seconds when our pioneer M.G.H. Bernardts and Duses forgot their cues. The audience was at the same time amused and sympathetic, and laughed with the actors rather than at them. Members of the hard working and talented cast, each of whom merits heartiest congratulations included: Eileen Kenneally, Mary Foss, Mary Cunningham, Margaret MacFarlin, Pat Bottiani, Gertrude Murphy, Sandra Scavotto, Pat Finn, Grace McCleary and Janice Randlett. Proceeds were used for the benefit of "Checks" the senior year book.

Student chapel services are the most recent additions to the Fall activity schedule. Wholly interdenominational in character, these services are held every Wednesday at 7:15 P. M. in the hospital chapel. They last but a few minutes and include organ music, hymn singing and the reading of a passage from the Bible. Donna Thayer is Chairman of the Chapel Committee, with Jean Murray as Secretary and Jean McDougall as Sub-Secretary.

Members of every class turned out for the annual Hallowe'en Party on Monday, October 20th. Mrs. Marianne Teuber, Social Director, planned an evening of fun and frolicking for all. In gay spirits and still gayer costumes came students from Walcott, Thayer, Baker 6, Parkman Street and North Grove Street. Leading prizes for the best costumes of the evening were distributed as follows: first prize to Evelyn Brewster, Virginia Donahue and Edith Dunnells, who represented the "Allen Street Trio"; second prize, to probationer Joan Stewart, "Barnum's What Is It?" and third prize, to Drawsheet Editor, Ethel M. Shaw, "The Modern Hobo."

That the "General" does its utmost to make holidays pleasant for student nurses far from home was evidenced by the "Open House" which was held Thanksgiving evening. A score of students, representing several different states in the Union found Thanksgiving Day a cheerful one. Members of the Armed Services were present in goodly numbers and helped to make the evening a happy occasion for "dining and dancing."

It is interesting to note that the M.G.H. student is abreast of the times and definitely not in the "ivory tower" category. She thinks of others and recognizes her duties and obligations to the community as well. Practically overnight, students raised more than eighty-five dollars for the recent Greater Boston Community Fund Drive. The money was obtained through a system of informal collections and donations.

Those camera flashlight bulbs you have have seen "popping off" in the hospital corridors recently were serving a good purpose for the M.G.H. senior year-book, "Checks" is now in full swing. "Checks" for 1945 promises to be a new and different type of year-book with emphasis on candid photography and modern layouts. The editors hope to print articles on, and possibly pictures of the various departments of the hospital, including the O.R., the Diet Kitchen, the Nursing and Science Departments, etc. Those of you who "went before us" will be interested to know that for the first time in its history "Checks"

will appear with a padded cloth cover design of the familiar "Check" uniform. The book is scheduled for publication in February, 1945, and is dedicated to the valiant men and women of the 6th General Hospital Unit.

Topping off and highlighting all activities for this year is the Christmas Formal which will be held in the Rotunda on Saturday, December 30th. Both student and graduate nurses are invited. Only couples, however, will be admitted. There is no admission fee. It is hoped that all of you among the alumnae who can possibly come will join with us in what promises to be a really gala affair.

In conclusion, we must say that without a doubt, the past year has been brimful of social activities, all of which help in "rounding out" the student nurse and in helping her to make student days a balanced and happy period. At this time all of us extend to you and to our friends and graduates overseas our very best wishes for

A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

Ethel M. Shaw, Editor
"The Drawsheet"

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Abbott, Sylvia	1931 Army	Coggsell, Thelma B.....	1926 Army
Ainsworth, Leah Clark....	1923 Army	Convelski, Stephanie	1933 Army
Allen, Margaret Hazen..	1936 Army	Conza, Ermine	1920 Army
Armstrong, Kathleen	1938 Navy	Coolidge, Mary C.	1927 Army
Atto, Kathleen	1922 Army	Cooper, Jean	1942 Army
Ayer, Dorothy	1940 Army	Corthell, Beatrice M.	1922 Army
		Corcoran, Alice M.	1934 Army
Babcock, Grace R.	1939 Army	Cousins, Helene E.	1938 Army
Barrett, Ann	1943 Navy	Cox, Christine	1942 Army
Barrett, Katherine C	1938 Army	Crafts, Eleanor B.	1932 Army
Barton, Goldie	1926 Army	Cree, Edna	1928 Army
Barton, Rowena	1934 Army		
Battin, Gladys McCracken		Davis, E. Jacqueline	1932 Army
	1933 Army	Davis, Natalie	1928 Army
Bean, Esther M.	1934 Army	Dawson, Marjorie	1936 Army
Beardwood, Gladys	1925 Army	Dervin, Margaret	1932 Army
Beaudette, Laurainne	1937 Army	DeWolf, Mary	1943 Army
Beatham, Sybil	1938 Army	Donahue, Josephine	1941 Army
Becker, Helen Gibbons..	1933 Army	Dow, Miriam Atwood	1924 Army
Belisle, Beatrice	1941 Army	Drolet, Velma A.	1939 Army
Benedict, Rebecca	1937 Army	Duffy, Dorothy	1939 Army
Benyon, Marion	1941 Army	Dumaine, Betty	1926 A.R.C.
Binns, Julia	1940 Army	Farning, Virginia	1943 Army
Bitzer, Barbara	1936 Army	Dwyer, Mary Edwina....	1942 Army
Blaney, Evelyn M	1928 Army		
Bourne, Constance E.	1938 Army	Eaton, Caroline	1933 Army
Bowers, Marjorie	1931 Army	Ellinwood, Doris	1925 Army
Boyce, Gula	1928 Army	Emerson, Edna	1936 Army
Boyle, Rita	1941 Army	Emery, Margaret	1936 Army
Briggs, Cleora	1942 Army	Ethier, Mildred	1920 Army
Brandon, Geraldine	1938 Army	Eveleth, Annette L.	1928 Army
Brebbie, Mary E.	1935 Army		
Brooks, Jesse H.	1933 Army	Farley, Grace B	1943 Army
Brown, Jessie	1943 Army	Farrant, Helen A.	1930 Army
Bruce, Elaine	1943 Army	Farrar, Priscilla	1942 Navy
Bruno, Carmela	1942 Army	Finn, Mary E.	1939 Army
Burgess, Linda	1930 Army	Forand, Avis Louise	1942 Army
Burns, Helen Phyllis	1943 Army	Forbes, Pauline C.	1929 Army
Buckley, Elizabeth	1942 Navy	Ford, Anna	1942 Army
Butcher, Edith J.	1941 Army	Forgey, Grace Riordan..	1933 Army
		Fraser, Mary A.	1938 Army
Canning, Mary A.	1923 Army		
Cape, Jacqueline	1943 Navy	Gardner, Grace E.	1932 Navy
Cardinali, Inez V.	1942 Army	Gardner, Ruth G.	1938 Navy
Carpenter, Mary L.	1940 Army	Gates, Evelyn	1942 Army
Carr, Kathryn	1942 Army	Giberti, Florence L.	1929 Army
Casey, Mary L.	1941 Army	Gianarakos, Anastasia..	1941 Army
Chadbourne, Helen O....	1932 Army	Glynn, Eileen	1936 Navy
Chrystal, Dorothy M....	1928 Army	Goethal, Yvonne	1939 Army
Clark, Alice	1939 Army	Goldthwait, Marjorie F.	1936 Navy
Coghlan, Helen J.	1928 Army	Graham, Helen K.	1942 Navy
Coffey, Eileen	1938 Army	Gravelle, Jean	1944 Army

Greene, Ardenia Abbott..	1930	Army	Mather, Jean T.....	1941	Navy
Gredzinski, Helen	1940	Navy	Maxwell, Barbara E.	1932	Army
Guillemette, Loretta	1940	Army	May, Marjorie	1938	Army
Haddon, Ruth	1939	Army	McCabe, Kathryn L.	1936	Army
Haley, Blanche	1930	Army	McCormack, Madeline....	1943	Navy
Halladay, Hazel	1930	Army	McCullough, Ethel	1937	Army
Halekas, Garyfallia	1942	Army	McDonald, Jeannette C.	1941	Army
Hansis, Evelyn	1939	Army	McDonnell, Francis C....	1939	Army
Hardy, Amanda B	1926	Army	McDonnell, Rose C.	1935	Army
Hardy, Nancy	1944	Army	McGarry, Catherine	1934	Army
Harlow, Evelyn C.	1928	Army	McGlynn, Dorothy F.	1932	Army
Harper, Marjorie	1931	Army	McKee, Anna M.	1937	Army
Hart, Mary Patricia	1944	Army	McKee, Kathleen M.	1921	Army
Hartnett, Helen V.	1941	Army	McKenzie, Anne	1941	Army
Hartnett, Marguerite E..	1943	Navy	McKinnon, Christine A....	1928	Army
Hathaway, Ruth	1938	Army	McLellan, Bessie	1932	Army
Hewitt, Helen G.	1935	Army	McMorran, Frances	1942	Army
Hollister, Louise H.	1933	Army	McWilliams, Priscilla		
Holmes, Isabel	1941	Army	Bonney	1936	Army
Holt, Cynthia	1941	Army	Mears, Ann	1942	Army
Holt, Norma Nesmith	1942	Army	Meilleur, Winona	1941	Army
Horton, Ruth	1941	Army	Moles, Dorothy I.	1933	Army
Hoyt, Ruth	1929	Navy	Monaghan, Genevieve..	1941	Army
Husey, Edwina	1937	Army	Moore, Anna E.	1940	Army
James, Doris	1942	Army	Moore, Anna L.	1941	Army
Jarvis, Katherine	1940	Army	Moore, Christine H.	1929	Army
Jensen, Barbara	1939	Navy	Mosher, Louise G.	1936	Army
Jewell, Martha	1941	Army	Mulholland, Anna	1941	Army
Johnson, Elsie	1937	Army	Munroe, Barbara	1942	Navy
Johnson, Harriet L.	1941	Army	Nason, Eleanor	1942	Navy
Keane, Rita M.	1936	Army	Nelson, Earlyne	1942	Army
Kearns, Muriel	1936	Navy	Nelson, Margaret	1933	Army
Kellogg, Violet	1941	Army	Newcomb, Ruth	1942	Navy
Kerzick, Mildred	1934	Army	Nickerson, Dorothy A....	1938	Army
Kimball, Martha	1941	Navy	O'Brien, Margaret	1943	Army
King, Evelyn V.	1938	Army	OLeary, Rita E.	1941	Army
Knights, Doris	1931	Army	Oosting, Minnie	1943	Army
Koziol, Genevieve	1943	Army	Ottley, Jean	1941	Army
Krook, Elsie	1932	Army	Passios, Alexander	1942	Army
Lanouette, Naomi	1927	Army	Penniman, Ruth F.	1926	Army
Lawrence, Ruth	1931	Army	Pentecost, Claire	1940	Navy
Lord, Elizabeth W.	1932	Navy	Peterson, Barbara E.	1939	Army
Lowney, Carolyn	1941	Army	Piippo, Regina Arline....	1941	Navy
Luby, Lillian L	1940	Army	Pitman, Eleanor	1925	Army
Lunt, Louine M.	1930	Army	Plant, Eunice	1938	Army
Lyons, Catherine E.	1934	Army	Pritchard, Anna E.	1940	Army
MacNeill, Hazel W.	1935	Army	Quinn, Mary	1943	Army
MacSwain, Mary C.	1929	Army	Reardon, Mary F.	1940	Army
Madden, Philipmena	1941	Army	Reed, Carolyne Hay-		
Mahoney, Margaret F....	1937	Army	ward	1922	Army
Mansfield, Shirley	1943	Navy			

Rein, Rita	1934	Navy	Sullivan, Mary Eliabeth	1941	Army
Renn, Elsie G.	1941	Army	Sweeney, Mary	1941	Army
Roberts, Jean	1943	Army	Thigpen, Loran	1943	Army
Rose, Eunice	1929	Army	Tinkham, Anna L.	1940	Army
Ross, Jean Perin	1943	Army	Tolman, Madeline A.	1933	Army
Russell, Alice G.	1941	Army	Townsend, Lois	1932	Army
Sarad, Julia	1942	Navy	Triggs, Grace	1941	Navy
Sears, Virginia L.	1941	Army	White, Alice M.	1930	Army
Shaw, Helen D.	1929	Army	Whittier, Eva	1932	Army
Sheehan, Mary	1943	Army	Wilcox, Chloe D.	1935	Army
Sheldon, Lilla	1942	Army	Wilkins, Mary	1940	Army
Sherer, Louise C.	1941	Army	Willis, Irene E.	1941	Army
Simpson, Phyllis Louise	1942	Navy	Wilson, Margaret E.	1938	Navy
Slattery, Ethel M.	1929	Army	Wilson, Mary E.	1935	Army
Sloper, Lucia W.	1939	Army	Wright, Elizabeth		
Smith, Constance	1943	Navy	Upton	1927	Army
Smith, Phyllis	1942	Navy	Wright, Helen Eliza-		
Smith, Ruth Myers	1942	Army	beth	1941	Army
Southway, Doris Car-			Wrigley, Nellie	1939	Army
penter	1922	Army	Yancey, Alice	1941	Army
Staats, Mary H.	1937	Navy	Zagorin, Libby	1941	Army
Stacey, Eleanor C.	1933	Army			
Steele, Marie Elsie	1943	Army			
Stoney, Dorothy	1929	Army			
Sullivan, Helen	1941	Navy			

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Engagements

Lt. Katherine Jarvis, A.N.C. (1940) to Lt. Luther Johnson, Jr., of Page, Oklahoma.

Grace E. Flynn (1936) to Mr. Ernest H. Garron of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Alma B. Cady (1935) to Mr. J. Wendell Phillips of Lynn, Massachusetts.

Kathleen Burpee (1944) to Lt. (j.g.) William Arthur Walsh, Jr., U.S.N.R. of Easthampton, Connecticut.

Marriages

Gertrude Ida Kelly (1944) to Ensign William S. Butler, U.S.N.R. on August 26, 1944, in Newton, New Hampshire.

Lt. Muriel Isabell Holmes (1941) A.N.C. to Major Dale De-Steffany of the 8th Air Force on September 23, 1944, in the Chapel of a United States Army Hospital in England.

Lt. Carolyn Adelaide Parker (1942) A.N.C. to Ervin Mabry, U.S.N. on September 23, 1944, in Newport, Rhode Island.

Lt. Edna Louise Emerson (1936) A.N.C. to Major Robert H. Howe, U.S.A. in Casablanca, North Africa, last January.

Lt. Mary Elizabeth Sullivan (1941) A.N.C. to Captain C. Cline Peters on October 7, 1944, in the Post Chapel, Bolling Field, Washington, D. C.

Katherine Maurer (1941) to Mr. Lodovico Cettomai on November 11, 1944, at Mansfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Cettomai is supervisor of the pediatric wards.

Doris Brown (1930) to Lt. Joseph Siegel, M.D., U.S.A., of the 240th General Hospital, on October 9, 1944, in Albilene, Texas.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Leahy (Barbara E. Berry, 1934) announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Ann, at the Phillips House on April 15, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Carey (Marion L. Thurston, 1930) announce the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Lena, at the Baker Memorial on September 6, 1944.

Capt. and Mrs. Frank L. Armstrong (Lucy L. Church, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Lynne, in Savannah, Georgia, on September 20, 1944.

Pvt. and Mrs. Frederick Berseback (Dorothy F. Butler, 1935) announce the birth of the second daughter, Linda, at the Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital, Jersey City, New Jersey, on September 23, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent G. Carroll (Pearl Vaillancourt, 1930) announce the birth of a son, Robert James, at the Winchester Hospital, Winchester, Massachusetts, on September 23, 1944.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Roger Allison (Louise Evers, 1937) announce the birth of Charles Roger, 3rd, in Rochester, New York, on September 24, 1944.

Lt. and Mrs. Donald Andrews Brew (Cora Bertha Yando, 1942) announce the birth of a son, Donald Andrew, Jr., on September 29, 1944, at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital, Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Morrison MacAfee (Muriel Simpson, 1937) announce the birth of a daughter, Barbara Lee, at the Brockton Hospital on September 30, 1944. Mr. and Mrs. MacAfee are living in their new Cape Cod Cottage, at 116 Carl Avenue, Brockton, Massachusetts.

Major and Mrs. Ralph Spencer (Mary E. Puleston, 1931) announce the birth of a son, John Puleston, on October 1, 1944, in the hospital at Mitchell Field, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Fielding (Lois R. Gammon, 1933) announce the birth of a daughter, Barbara Jean, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital on October 10, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Robert Reynolds (Agnes Todd Lang, 1937) announce the birth of a daughter, Ellen Todd, at the Baker Memorial Hospital on October 11, 1944.

Capt. and Mrs. John Guthrie (Virginia Griswold, 1940) announce the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Virginia, at the Baker Memorial on October 19, 1944.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. McKinnon (Anna L. Sargent, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter in October at the Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Lt. and Mrs. Eric V. Swanson (Barbara A. Kalnit, 1935) announce the birth of a son, Stephen Michael, on November 4, 1944. Mrs. Swanson and two sons are living at 1522 South Cloverdale Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Lindsey (Elizabeth Thompson, 1935) announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Martha Johanna, at the Cambridge Hospital, on November 23, 1944.

In Memoriam

MISS CAROLINE L. ANDERSON

Caroline L. Anderson (1881) died at the Lowell General Hospital on December 1, 1943, aged one hundred years. Miss Anderson, a resident of the Old Ladies' Home, was one of the oldest residents of Lowell, Massachusetts, and was survived by no near relatives. Among her personal effects, was a note asking that the date of her death and age be added and sent to the Nurses' Alumnae Association.

MISS GERTRUDE M. EASTMAN

Gertrude M. Eastman (1907) died on November 30, 1944, at her home, 3 Champney Place, Boston, Massachusetts, following a long illness. Miss Eastman was a private duty nurse. Interment was in Gardner, Maine.

DR. WILLIAM B. BREED

Dr. William Bradley Breed died at the Phillips Houses on August 21, 1944, after a short illness, in his fiftieth year. Dr. Breed was popular with all and left a large circle of friends in every walk of life. Besides his wife, three children survive, two girls and a boy.

DR. J. HARPER BLAISDELL

Dr. J. Harper Blaisdell, fifty-eight, died suddenly on October 25, 1944. He will be remembered as a dermatologist, serving as a house officer from July to December 21, 1911. He leaves a wife and two sons.

DR. RICHARD FROTHINGHAM O'NEIL

On November 30, 1944, Dr. Richard F. O'Neil died suddenly at his home, 379 Beacon Street, Boston, in his seventieth year. He was an internationally known urologist and surgeon. In 1917 he was Captain in the Medical Corps, U.S.A., serving with Base Hospital No. 6 in France. He is survived by his wife, and a son, Major Richard Frothingham O'Neil, Jr.

+ + NEWS + +

On September 17, 1944, Mrs. Charles Edwin Devonshire (Irene W. Mason, 1907) announced the marriage of her daughter, Ensign Jane Devonshire, N.S.N.R. (W) to Lt. Waldo Danforth Whitney, U.S.A., in Framingham, Massachusetts.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. William Nivison (Ruth Robinson, 1915) and Helen T. Nivison (1913) on the death of Mr. William Nivison, on October 17, 1944, in Gardner, Maine.

Mrs. Frank Hoyt Barter (Glee Marshall, 1914) has returned to her home in Saxtons River, Vermont, following a three weeks stay in the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Pearl I. Castile (1922) Assistant to the Dean of Nursing, University of California Hospital, San Francisco, has recently been East, visiting hospitals in New York, New Haven and Boston. She called on old friends and classmates.

Mary Louise Spies (1941) was appointed head nurse of the Nose and Throat Clinic of the O.P.D. early in October.

Elizabeth Whitney (1944) is head nurse of the Nose and Throat Operating-room at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

After vacationing in North Adams, Massachusetts, for the month of October, Mildred Irene Taylor (1923) returned to Boston to take up Anesthesia at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

In September, Beatrice Elizabeth Bennett (1942) resigned as head nurse of the Eye Operating-room at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary to take the course in Public Health Nursing at Simmons College.

Hilda G. Blaisdell (1920) motored to Washington, D. C. in October and made a hurried visit to Mount Vernon, and several of the most outstanding buildings in the Capitol City.

Jessie Helen McCaskill (1919) of Montreal, Canada, spent Thanksgiving with her relatives in Newton Center, Massachu-

setts, later calling on her many friends at the Massachusetts General Hospital and Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Leonard (Helen Ferree, 1922) are en route to their home in Calcutta, India. Mrs. Leonard returned to the States soon after Pearl Harbor and has been with her parents in Middletown, Connecticut. Mr. Leonard has been appointed manager of the Standard Vacuum Oil Company in Ceylon.

Kathleen Parks (1917) is admitting officer at the Rush Medical Center Out-Patient Department, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr and Mrs. Don Snow (Mollie Hubbard, 1915) of Randolph, Maine, were in Boston recently for a medical checkup. We are glad to report that Mrs. Snow was able to make the trip by auto.

Mrs. Lawrence Stiles (Arline M. Lowe, 1935) is full time office nurse for Dr. LeRoy A. Schall, Chief of Otology and Laryngology, at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

On the evening of October 7, 1944, twenty-six members (twenty-four nurses and two secretaries) of the original Base Hospital No. 6 Unit, assembled in the reception room of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary Nurses' Home for a reunion and re-organization of the Nurses' Club, formerly organized aboard the '*Aurania*' in 1917. Miss Josephine Mulville, Vice President, presided in the absence of Miss Parsons. Officers elected were:—Miss Sara E. Parsons, Honorary President; Miss Josephine Mulville, President; Miss Dorothy M. Tarbox, Vice President; Miss Annie M. Robertson, Secretary; Mrs. Glee Marshall Barter, Treasurer. It was voted to name the Club '*Bordeaux Belles*.' The following members were present: Angel Bagley Matteoli, Isabel Dewar, Mary Driscoll, Hazel Gammon, Clara Hyson Ernst, Helen Judd Coleman, Francis Ladd, Mary Lee, Barbara MacLeod Henderson, Josephine Mulville, Helen Nivison, Olga Olson Robinson, Alice O'Gorman, Margaret Reilly, Mae Rodger Bates, Annie Robertson, Rosa Shayeb Dunaway, Dorothy Tarbox, Rosella Travers, Eva Waldron, Mary Walsh. After refreshments of coffee and petit fours, everyone had a grand visit, and on Sunday morning, those who stayed over were taken on a sight-seeing tour in the hospital:—Moseley Memorial, Treadwell Library, White Building, Hospital Post Office, Hospital Chapel and Baker Memorial. Later we dined at the Parker House.

M.G.H. Picnic in Worcester

Worcester is quite an M.G.H. center. Several nurses at the Hahnemann Hospital, more at the Memorial Hospital, and others nearby, make a group of twelve or more. Hazel Walker (1924) was the organizer of the picnic and sent out invitations to all twelve for June twenty-ninth. The food problem was divided among a few of us, a fireplace was reserved with a generous supply of wood in Green Hill Park, and on a perfect June day, nine of us gathered there for a gay time of reminiscence, a delicious supper, much joking, and a warmth around our hearts because of this contact with old friends and all those who stemmed from M.G.H. The hot dogs were luscious, roasted over wood coals, the coffee and cream went to the spot, pickles and olives added zest, and a big rosy watermelon made a perfect dessert. Before we scattered, we appointed a committee to arrange another get-together in the Fall. How our tongues flew! We had each give her name, year of graduation, and a bit of personal history, and then any bits of news about other M.G.H. friends. The Quarterly Record and the M.G.H. News were passed around and quoted freely. Here is the roster of the picnic: Mrs. Leonard B. Laird (Harriet Harris, 1928) who formerly worked at Newton Hospital, is now living in Holden with her family. Mrs. Richard C. Taylor (Catherine E. Tracy, 1939) is Assistant Director of Nurses at the Worcester City Hospital, while Capt. Taylor, U.S.M.C., is stationed at a hospital in England. Mary Driscoll (1934) does Public Health Nursing in Whitinsville. Abigail Norris (1934) is Surgery Supervisor, Worcester Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Oliver Gagner (Sylvia Fay, 1918) lives in Auburn, Massachusetts, and commutes to Worcester daily for her work as Out-Patient Supervisor, Worcester Memorial Hospital. Olive Scudder Hawkins (1923) lives in Shrewsbury. Her husband is ill at home with coronary disease. Hazel M. Walker (1924) is Assistant Principal, School of Nursing, Worcester Memorial Hospital. The Principal is Miss Alice Marsh of Newton Hospital. Mrs. Robert Dea (Adelaide DeLong, 1918) lives in Holden, and is fully occupied with two children and an invalid mother. Mrs. Edward L. Clark (Eleanor Fowle, 1918) widowed eighteen years is now living in Worcester to be near the youngest of her three sons, a senior at Worcester Tech. Mrs. Clark is doing private duty. We had hoped that Erna Kuhn (1914) and Mildred Foster Knight (1936) Superintendent and Superintendent of Nurses at the Hahnemann Hospital would be there, but they were unable to come. We hope for better luck next time. We all agreed it was good to be together, and look forward to doing so again. Some of the bits of news gleaned were of Nan Donovan (1918) who

lives in Boston and helps regularly at the U.S.O. Information Center in the North Station. Dot Lester Warren (1918) lives in India and is probably coming home this Fall. Her mother lives in Chicopee. I tried to contact her son David, a student in the V-12 when in Hanover, N. H., but he had just been transferred to Portsmouth, N. H. As for Tom, the youngest son, I could find no listing of him in the V-12, although I had understood he too, would be studying at Dartmouth this year. I talked with Frances Daily by phone in Lebanon, N. H., when I was vacationing in Thetford, Vermont, this summer. She was caring for an old lady for a month or so, but was on the point of returning to her sisters in Plattsburg, New York, and hoped to be in time to do some of the family canning. Even I, after fifteen years of living in hospitals, have a tiny apartment and take pride in having eggs down in waterglass, and forty-nine jars of canned fruits and vegetables. The latch-string is always out, at 108 Lincoln Street, Worcester, to M.G.H. friends.

Eleanor Fowle Clark, 1918.

Mrs. Wesley C. Panunzio (Edla M. Backstrom, 1932) is living in San Diego, California, where her husband, Lt. Panunzio is stationed. Mrs. Panunzio is looking forward to a visit from Mary Halpin (1932) now in San Francisco.

Nellie Mahoney who has worked for many years in the Throat Clinic of the O.P.D. is now a patient on White 7, following a surgical operation for gall stones. She is making favorable progress.

Elizabeth Edward, daughter of Mrs. George C. Edward (Dorothea J. MacInnis, 1915) is enrolled as a Cadet student nurse at the Cambridge Hospital, Mt. Auburn Street.

Lt. (j.g.) Ruth V. Hoyt (1929) U.S.N.R. (N. C.) stationed in the Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, called on Miss McCrae in August.

Mrs. Arnold Becker (Lt. Margaret E. McGarry, 1929) is living in Greensboro, North Carolina, where her husband, Capt. Becker is stationed at the Overseas Replacement Depot.

Jane Maureen LeClair (1944) is at home in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, recovering from a fractured verterbrae received

in September. She was thrown from her horse. A sister was killed at the same time when her horse bolted and the saddle slipped. We extend our sympathy to Miss LeClair and family for this tragic accident.

Alice F. Woodridge (1932) executive director of the Community Nursing Service of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, has been appointed by the United Nations Relief Rehabilitation Administrator, and will be assigned to the Balkans to supervise the public health nurses in that area.

Filomena DiCicco (1922) is enjoying her work as medical supervisor with the Children's Aid Association in Boston.

2nd Lt. Jean M. Roberts (1943), 2nd Lt. Anne Elizabeth Ford (1942) and 2nd Lt. Libby Zagorin (1941) have all been assigned to the 200th Hospital Ship Complement, and are waiting anxiously at Camp Myles Standish for their ship to be commissioned.

Mrs. Valdemar Nielson (Christine H. MacDonald, 1930) has been appointed to the position of supervisor of the Out-Patient Department at the Cambridge Hospital to be effective February 1, 1945, following completion of the Public Health Course at Simmons College.

Hazel R. Gammon (1916) Nursing Arts Instructor at the Brockton Hospital, Brockton, Massachusetts, has been out on a two months sick leave following hospital treatment for sinusitis.

Lt. Edwina N. Hussey (1937) A.N.C. with the 5th General Hospital, A.P.O. 350, New York City, is now stationed in France, and writes that on one of her days off she explored Le Mont Saint-Michel.

Elsbeth S. Campbell (1909) Supervisor of the Out-Patient Department is making favorable progress, following her accident early in November.

We are glad to report that Miss Louise C. May (1920) of 3 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts, who has been ill all last summer, is gaining and enjoys reading of the various activities in and about the hospital.

Frances P. West (1906) after substituting for summer vacations in the Admitting Office of the Quincy City Hospital, has accepted the Superintendency of the Benson Hospital in Haverhill, Massachusetts. Florence A. Duncan (1913) and Mrs. William S. Butler (Gertrude I. Kelly, 1944) are members of the graduate nursing staff at the same hospital.

Lt. (j.g.) Ann Mary Barrett (1943) N.C., U.S.N., has been transferred from the Chelsea Naval Hospital to the West Coast.

Grace B. Farley (1943) and Mary Elizabeth Sullivan (1941) have enlisted in the Army Nurse Corps.

Lt. Norma Nesmith Holt (1942) A.N.C., writes from a "lovely spot in England" that she has been in surgery ever since D-Day caring for evacuated patients from France. She reports a proud uncomplaining group of boys.

Lt. Beatrice Belisle Stanford (1941) A.N.C., flew home from England after serving with the 120th Station Hospital. She has received her discharge papers and is now settled in civilian life at 422 June Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

Lt. (j.g.) Marjorie F. Goldthwait (1936) has returned from nine months duty in England and is now stationed at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Naval Hospital, Bainbridge, Maryland.

Major Champ Lyons (W.S. 1933) who is home in Alabama recovering from a severe attack of jaundice contracted while working in mobile hospitals in Italy, has been awarded the "Legion of Merit" by the War Department for his effective treatment with penicillin to the wounded of Italy. "Major Lyons initiated and guided the methods by which the new and potent agent penicillin has been utilized in the treatment of the seriously wounded. From the most forward mobile hospitals of Italy to the large general hospitals of the interior, he has personally operated upon and studied the treatment of the wounded, instructing his seniors and subordinates alike in a change of surgical procedures that is productive of better results. Lives and limbs of soldiers have been saved and the disability and deformity of wounds materially reduced. His professional judgment, combining a basic knowledge of the science of bacteriology with skill and experience in practical surgery, has cast new light on

the age-old problem of wound surgery. At no time has he spared himself mentally or physically, and the example he has set is an inspiration to all surgeons in the service." We of the Alumnae association are proud to have been associated with Dr. Lyons, and we sincerely hope that he will make a rapid recovery and soon return to his wife (Naomi L. Currier, 1930) and sons Joseph, 6 years; Champ, Jr., 4 years.

Lt. Irad B. Hardy (E.S. 1939) Navy Doctor attached to the 4th Marine Division Artillery, has been decorated with the Navy and Marine Corps Medal for courage and heroism while storming the beach-head on Kwajalein atoll in the Marshall Islands. His wife, Eva Borrner (1936) and son Irad B. 3rd., are living at 30 Beacon Street, Waltham, Massachusetts.

Lt. Lucia W. Sloper (1939) was among the forty-four nurses and forty-eight surgeon technicians of the 802nd and 807th medical evacuation squadrons who helped in aerial evacuation of 170,000 sick and wounded from forward areas since March 1943. They were cited for "meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight and for professional skill and devotion to duty displayed by each crew member in evacuating sick and wounded from the combat zone."

Phyllis Madden (1941) with the M.G.H. Unit stationed in Italy spent her recent five day leave at Sorrento and Capri.

Margaret Wilson (1938) now stationed at Gulfport, Missouri, is very busy in the dispensary of the large Naval Training Center located there.

Helen Belcher (1944) spent a week of her recent vacation in Cleveland and enjoyed visiting the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing. Miss Belcher has recently joined the staff as Assistant Science Instructor.

Last word from Stephanie Convelski (1933) came from New Zealand, yearning for central heating.

Mary Spinney (1940) has resigned as head nurse on White 12 and is now a Supervisor at the Warren General Hospital, Warren, Pennsylvania.

Olga Andruskiw (1940) is studying this winter at Teachers College at Columbia.

Mrs. Charles Briggs (Susan Mills, 1913) has joined the rank of Alumnae Hostesses for the Nursing Office. She comes in one day a week, as do Mrs. Jones (Edna Harrison, 1910) and Mrs. Collins (Marjorie Chambers, 1920). This makes it possible for the Supervisors to be out on the wards or to work on records.

Miss Alice Dempsey (1941) has recently been appointed to the Visiting Nurse Association after completing her year at Simmons College.

Miss Jean McGaughey (1929) was appointed President of the New England Industrial Nurses' Association at their annual meeting in October held in Boston at the Hotel Statler.

Among members of our Alumnae who have been patients at the Baker Memorial recently are Irene Stuart (1932) and Katherine McGrath Hollinan (1931).

Miss Gretchen E. Knight (1934) has accepted a position as record librarian at the Medford Hospital. Miss Knight has been doing private duty, mostly at the Phillips House, for a number of years. Her friends wish her success in her new position.

Friends of Rita F. Rein (1934) will be sorry to hear of the death of her mother at the Phillips House. Miss Rein is at present with the Navy Nurse Corps in North Africa. Previous to entering the Service she was on the anesthesia service at the M.G.H.

Friends of Mrs. Dana J. Bramam (Constance Wildes, 1932) wish to extend their sympathy on the death of her mother who passed away in early October in Randolph, Massachusetts. Mrs. Braman is at present a supervisor at the Phillips House.

Miss Agnes Trull writes of crowded conditions in Florida regardless of warnings for less travelling to the warmer climate. She is in Fort Lauderdale with her father and mother.

Mrs. David Goodrich Proctor (Bertha M. Coskie, 1934) is Assistant to the Director of Nursing at the Worcester Memorial Hospital, Worcester, Massachusetts.

One of the most unique posters seen in the 1945 Greater Boston United War Fund Drive, was designed for the M.G.H. by Mrs. Alice D. Mathewson, wife of Mr. A. H. Mathewson, the purchasing agent. The poster depicts the red feather adorning all types of M.G.H. hats, from Dr. Faxon's fedora to the chef's towering white head piece.

Mrs. William McGrath (Margaret O'Neil, 1934) is now office nurse for Dr. Fred Simmons.

Letters have been received from Lt. Amanda B. Hardy (1926) A.N.C. somewhere in France, and Robert Minichiello, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Minichiello, has written home that Lt. Hardy, Lt. Virginia Durning (1943) and Lt. Jean Ross (1943) are his nurses. He is convalescing from a gun shot wound in his leg received November seventeenth.

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Come simply, so it seems to me.
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I tired of the honest thing, I lied."

Edna St. Vincent Millay's
The Goose Girl

Graduation

In spite of record-breaking snow, the seating capacity of the Moseley rotunda was almost taxed on the evening of February 9, when the members of the largest class of student nurses in the history of the Nursing School — 109 strong — were graduated.

A trio, consisting of violin, cello, and piano furnished appropriate music until it was time for the exercises to begin.

The double file of nurses created a very impressive picture as they marched into the room to their assigned places and remained standing until the first strains of our National Anthem brought the guest audience to its feet.

Dr. Lincoln Davis, Chairman of the Trustees' Committee on the School of Nursing, was Presiding Officer. In his opening remarks Dr. Davis gave a very amusing account of how he started out from home that morning, necessarily luggageless, fought his way through hip-deep snowdrifts to the highway, thumbed a ride for his first hitch on the journey, and finally arrived in Boston. In accounting for what he called his "bizarre" attire, he explained that credit for many things should go to certain younger members of the medical profession who, in the emergency, proved their special skill in proper geriatric treatment.

Miss Effie J. Taylor, M.A., L.H.D., Professor and Dean Emeritus of the Yale University School of Nursing, delivered the address of the evening; Miss Johnson gave a report of the school and its achievements during the past year; the School-Glee Club sang two songs; and Dr. Davis called the roll of the graduating class.

Following the last song by the Glee Club and School a reception was held in the Brick Corridor. Refreshments were served, and a social hour brought the evening to a close.

—"The News."

Address to the Graduating Class

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Mr. Chairman, Members of the Board, Miss Johnson
The graduating class and friends

It is my great privilege tonight to address the Class of 1945 graduating from the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing.

You belong to one of the most illustrious schools by priority, and also by achievement. You are decendents of one of the first three schools established in this country, and this School has for many years given leadership in nursing education and in nursing service.

But you know the history of your School, and it is not necessary for someone to come from another State to tell you about it. You will, however, on this your graduation night, permit me as an old friend, to pay my personal tribute and offer congratulations to a school not far from celebrating its anniversary of three quarters of a century,—a school which has wielded an inestimable influence on nursing in this country, and elsewhere, since its graduates are scattered throughout the world.

It is also a rare privilege to be here to speak to a group of young women upon whom the responsibility for the future of nursing will depend. No longer can we of the older generation, hope to influence the future of nursing and carry the privilege of leadership, except as we may, during the past years of our stewardship, have had a part through education in molding the characters of the young women who are succeeding us. You are among the first 30,000 young women who will graduate this year. What an array of influential thought that will be when you take your places as professional citizens in a world now torn with strife, but rapidly awakening in every civilized country to the need of creating new values in relationships, which will give to every human being the right to a free and generous way of life, to think his own thoughts, and to express himself according to his best ideals, no matter in what environment he may have been born, or to what race he may belong.

To nurses in their capacity as essential workers of the world it may be said "belong the satisfactions of those who teach where many learn, who heal where many suffer, and who in

the midst of strife help build the foundations of international friendship and peace."

You have not yet had time to participate largely in world affairs, but you have, while obtaining your education during the past years, made an incalculable contribution as you have daily gone in and out of the wards of the hospital pursuing the nursing care of your patients, and you have in no small measure carried the burden of a great nursing service in order that others already well prepared might be enabled to enter the broader and larger fields of nursing where education and experience were necessary concomitants. In this way you have been a large factor in helping to meet the unusual conditions occasioned by this tragic war.

May I remind you in the words of a great philosopher that, "The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future life." Accordingly, nursing students today have greater opportunities than those in any other period to start in the right direction, since every duty performed has had a real meaning and purpose, and the results have been of the greatest importance. No one has had time during the past five years to place emphasis upon the luxuries of nursing, but deep and lasting principles have not been overlooked.

The conditions which had to be met were serious, and meaningful, and demanded the keenest devotion to duty on the part of teachers and students alike, and the best use possible had to be made of every minute of time. I doubt that you fully value as yet these experiences and what they will mean to you when you are left to formulate your own opinions, and to make your own decisions in emergencies.

I am confident that you will say, "I am grateful for the wisdom which guided me, and I am now mindful of my greater obligation to serve at my best." Today you are still too close to the immediate to evaluate your experience in terms of the future.

In every field of education, compromise has had to be made but, said William Lyon Phelps:

"In every advance from one fashion of existence to another there is always some gain and always some loss."

In the changes which have taken place in the modified programs in nursing schools, we must acknowledge both loss and gain, but the majority of necessary adjustments will undoubtedly appear on the credit side. Therefore, the future body of nurses should be better prepared, the more rapidly to perform their responsibilities with efficiency and skill.

During our recent Commencement activities at Yale one of the members of the 1945 graduating class approached me,

and said, "Miss Taylor, do you tell every class that the present class is the best that has ever graduated?" In reply, I said, "Well, perhaps I do, for the reason that each class has had the benefit of the experience of all the previous classes and therefore must have learned more than the preceding classes. Then, of course, the last class is nearest to us at the time and they have our most intimate affection and interest." I am sure that is the way Miss Johnson and Miss Sleeper feel about the 45's.

There appears to be a tendency among human beings to grasp at the easiest way. We all want to be comfortable in life, and it is pleasant to have things done for us, even if it be our learning. I doubt that any member of the graduating classes this year will have suffered too much from over solicitude. The majority have had to do some thinking for themselves and have had to develop more than usual initiative and they have responded well. The majority also have been called upon to give of themselves in service as well. I am sure that in so doing the students before me tonight have enjoyed that unspeakable satisfaction and joy which comes when the welfare and good of others is put before ones own personal ease and enjoyment.

In creating any educational program it is sometimes forgotten that the accumulation of knowledge is not its only purpose. The development of the individual and the building of character are of great importance and this concept must be realized by the students, if they are to profit by the experiences through which they pass.

Sometimes during this period when education, not only in the nursing schools but in all schools, has suffered disruption, questions have arisen which have caused us to examine carefully our former methods, and to seek a re-evaluation of our own deeply cherished ideals and traditions. A progressive educational system, with its curriculum, is always under scrutiny and re-evaluation, and nursing education is constantly under critical analyses in the light of the accomplishment of its practitioners and in their ability to meet the demands which the public make upon them.

No higher appraisal of what the public expects from nurses can be made than is expressed in Dorothy Canfield Fisher's review on the book "Louisa May Alcott" by Katherine Anthony. She writes,

"When I see a new biography by Katherine Anthony announced, I sit back in my chair with something of the same restful confidence we all feel when the trained nurse steps into the house to take care of the patient. Disciplined, intelligence, experience, professional conscience and rectitude. These we can expect as a matter of course."

Today these qualities are needed more abundantly than ever before and in the evaluation of our curriculum and in seeking to find a better way to prepare young women for the many and varied opportunities which lie ahead, you in your role as graduate nurses, later to become the teachers of others to follow, should never lose sight of these enduring values in nursing which must be accelerated if the world is to become a better place in which to live. To find the best way to assure to future generations that nurses will be worthy of this trust and confidence will rest with you, my young colleagues, and you will not be able to resist the fascination of comparing, and often critically, the old with the new and building thereon; keeping in mind that "The new must always spring from the old" since "The seeds of the future can be fruitful only when sown in the furrows of the past." No doubt, you of the new generation, will struggle as we have done so often with hopes on the one hand, and doubts on the other, but your vision will broaden, and experience will develop wisdom, and judgment, and you will learn to realize that there are many roads to follow in achieving a destination or an objective.

In speaking broadly of education, Mr. Angell, the former President of Yale, once said,

"Any program may be regarded as educational in purpose which attempts to increase knowledge, to stimulate thinking, to teach technique, appreciation, and taste, to enrich character by sensitizing emotion and by inspiring socialized ideals that may issue in constructive conduct. Education is essentially the progress by which individuals come to adjust themselves intelligently to life."

You will recall that in preparing the "Curriculum Guide for Schools of Nursing," "adjustment" was accepted as the aim of education. Nurses must constantly keep in mind the need for the adjustment of themselves and their own thinking and behavior to fit into the lives of others. Adaptation to the world in which we live is fundamental to the success of a nurse, and you will find in the practice of your profession that you will be constantly called upon to adjust your point of view to the changing environment in which you will be placed, and you may be amazed to find that there are many opinions and many other methods of arriving at a goal than those which you may have or with which you are now familiar.

In an article by Mr. Walter Lippman in his Column—"Today and Tomorrow" he said,

"Behind all questions of politics and armaments, of personalities and parties, there is the question whether a self governing people will impose upon itself a self-discipline strong enough to insure its own defense."

In reading this article my mind, as usual, reverted to nursing and the plans which must be made as we face the future—this future in which you will have so constructive a part to play.

Nursing is now in the most complete transition period of its experience. Changes are taking place so rapidly in this ever changing world, and old traditions and customs are under the most exacting scrutiny to which they have ever been exposed. Complacency with ourselves and our achievements will not suffice, and it is to be demonstrated by the adjustments we make whether or not we will be able to impose the self discipline of which Mr. Lippman speaks if need be, with sufficient breadth of vision to insure for the future the best that nursing has to contribute.

In an article relating to the kind of colleges which will be needed for students after the war, it is inferred that world minded students, not immature boys and girls, must be given consideration in planning their courses of study and it indicated that "College heads are re-examining materials formerly used in teaching history, literature, and other subjects, in order to meet the needs of students with increased maturity and seriousness who are to become citizens of a new kind of world."

Many of these more mature students will enter nursing schools from the colleges where a new emphasis has been placed upon the kind of knowledge suitable to their experience. In consequence a changed curriculum in nursing, broader in scope, and more in keeping with the new world needs must be developed. Perhaps the answer is not a new curriculum entirely, but undoubtedly nursing education for the future must be given a new perspective.

Distance no longer provides a barrier to contact with nurses and nursing in every part of the world. As members of one great sisterhood committed to the service of our fellow human beings, we are in direct contact with nurses on every continent, and our nursing students should learn more about the culture and background of the people from other countries of the world from which these nurses come.

In spite of the handicaps and restrictions imposed by war, the International Council of Nurses receives cables and messages, through the League of Red Cross Societies, and from many of our member countries directly of which there are forty. We exchange greetings and affectionate interest in their welfare. You will be interested to know that within the past few months we have had personal reports from Sweden, France, and Finland, and messages and cables from Iceland, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania, Palestine and

Turkey. We have carried on correspondence directly with South Africa, India, China, New Zealand, and Australia and we exchange letters regularly with Great Britain.

All of these countries cherish our relationships and are longing for the time when we can meet again. During this long period our watchword has been loyalty and it has ever been kept in mind.

Inasmuch as service to those who need us is the common goal of nursing, national and personal differences must be submerged in the broader aims of human brotherhood, and to fully understand the meaning of life in other than our own countries, we must give more time and thought to what for them constitutes happiness and welfare.

When nurses return to our own country after months, and in some cases years, of foreign service they will be prepared to offer advice as to what we, in America, need to know in order to function more successfully among other peoples of the world.

The International Council of Nurses, to which each of you will belong when you become members of the American Nurses Association, has for its objective the advancement of nurses and all nursing throughout the world for the better care of patients and for the prevention of disease, and as one of its members you will have your place.

Health, in its broadest sense, is the greatest force in the stabilization of people and since nurses are concerned, not only with physical but also with mental and social health, they have a great potential strength in keeping peace among men. Too seldom have we realized the power which health can wield. We therefore have not evaluated the significant influence which nurses could command if they had enough knowledge and skill to use it in every day life outside their accepted sphere of influence, in the care of the sick within the hospital.

Nurses should know more of psychology, of sociology, of economics, of government, and of public and personal relations, and they should master the art of using this knowledge in its relation to the maintenance of health and the prevention of disease. The new curriculum, which you will help to make, must include this knowledge as well as the skills and techniques required in the hospital wards,—for more and more the professional nurse of the future will be called upon to take her place in public life. As you look forward, I am sure you wonder what place you will fill. That, my dear young friends, will depend upon yourselves and upon your own willingness to grasp the opportunities which will surely come to you. The new generation of nurses, of which you are a part, cannot escape the wand of opportunity. The air is laden with work for nurses

and calls from every field are waiting to be filled. Urgent calls are awaiting you to join the military service, to enter the public health and government services, or if conditions will not permit you to do otherwise, to remain at home and assist in solving the serious problem of care to the civilian population and in helping prepare the students who are entering the schools and are taking the places you are vacating.

Each should carefully weigh her responsibilities and give of herself, for unless we do so, our gifts will be small in value. We, as individuals, would not dare commit any one to a decision; decision to do ones duty rests within the conscience of the individual herself, and all that is required is that your decision is well made. We are not living in a dream world today but in a world of keen reality, and we will grow strong, only in the security we gain by testing our capacities to meet emergency obligations. These are opportunities and since we live in this practical every day world in which people are sick, are hungry, and are imprisoned by fetters which engineering and science have not yet been able to release, we must not look for the unusual or spectacular, for life in the main is made up of common and ordinary events.

I wish that, with you, I could look away beyond the chaos of the intervening years,—out beyond the debris which clutters up our vision, and hope for twenty-five more years of opportunity. I would like to strive with you for greater goodness in our individual characters as nurses, to discover new beauties in the art of nursing, and to find wisdom to attain the ultimate worthwhileness of nursing. These possibilities, however, are yours and in the words of a renowned scholar, yours is "A world teeming with problems and adventure, full of exhilarating, challenging tasks on all sides; ignorance to be eradicated, disease to be stamped out, a whole new kingdom of finer human values to be established by human hands. The stout of heart and the strong of faith need never want for combat, zest and romance in such a world."

My dear young colleagues who are graduating tonight I cannot foretell where your work may be or into what fields you may be led, but I pray that God will bless you wherever you may go and that the honor of this School will be enhanced because your names have been added to its illustrious alumnae.

Report of the School of Nursing

given at

The Graduation Exercises on February 9, 1945

by

Sally Johnson, R.N., Principal of the School of Nursing

We are assembled here tonight to pay honor to the Class of 1945. It numbers 109, the largest graduating class in the history of the School. This is as it should be, for it is a war class. These students have been the shock troops who have endeavored to fill in the thinning lines of graduate nurses, ward helpers, orderlies and maids. The authorized census of workers in these groups at the General Hospital and Baker Memorial is 515. There are on duty only 246, or 48%, of this authorized number. Obviously, those who remain cannot do all of the work of their respective departments. Volunteers have done much of it, but a large part has been done by the graduate and student nurses. That which has not been done by volunteers and nurses has gone undone, and of course it is what we cannot do rather than what we can do, that wears us down.

This Class has seen a great increase in the school census, from 275 to 466, an increase of 191 or 70%. Yet they ask "Where are these additional students? They do not seem to be in the wards of the General Hospital in any increased numbers. Is this because many more withdraw?" The number of withdrawals is higher but not the percentage. The average percentage graduating from the last three classes is 1% higher than the average of the seven preceding classes. A statement which would give all of the reasons why these seniors have not been more conscious of the larger school would be too complicated to make here. However, I would like to answer, in part, the oft repeated question "Why is it that the hospitals are so short of workers when their schools are so much larger, and when they have a great body of volunteers? Hundreds, I am told are at the Massachusetts General Hospital!" First, as to the larger school. A large number are pre-clinical students and make little contribution to the wards. For many years there has been, and still is, an all graduate staff at the Phillips House. This is now maintained by recruits from special and part-time nurses. At the Baker Memorial, before the war, about 86% of the nursing care was given by graduates, and the remaining by students who were assigned there for experience in the care of private patients. Today, with the exception of the obstetrical

floor, only 14% of the bedside nursing care at the Baker is given by graduates. In the General Hospital, even before the war, the ratio was reversed, for only 23% of the bedside nursing care was given by graduates, a small group who stabilized the nursing service, the rest was given by students. Today the percent of graduates is reduced to 13%. It is easily seen why the increased enrollment of students melts away. It is now necessary to send 66 more students to the Baker Memorial and to place 21 more on night duty, for we have had no graduates on night duty in the General Hospital for over a year, and with the exception of one floor, only two or three on night duty in the Baker Memorial. A large number of students, perhaps the equivalent of fifteen more have been on evening duty, for in the General Hospital there is rarely a graduate nurse to cover that period. Students have replaced graduates in operating rooms and acted as Assistant Head Nurses, Head Nurses, Assistant Instructors and even as Assistant Night Supervisors. There are many other reasons why the increased census of students does not balance the decreased census of the graduate nurses and lay personnel.

The average volunteer is on duty five hours a week, the average paid worker forty-eight. Therefore, it requires the hours of at least nine volunteers to equal the hours of one full time paid worker. I have already stated that in the Nursing Department alone our loss of authorized personnel is 269 in the major groups. A little arithmetic will show, multiply 269 by 9, that it would require 2,400 volunteers, each working five hours per week, to meet the hourly loss of 269 full time workers. You can see one reason why the hospital's need for volunteers is insatiable.

It was a shortage in all groups that forced us in the late fall to close A floor in the Baker Memorial and a ward in the General Hospital for a period of 7½ and 5 weeks respectively. This closing had considerable publicity which gave the community a new realization of the plight of the hospitals.

I shall mention but one other battle scar before I proceed to certain factors which have helped to build our morale, and that scar was the result of the heavy class load for students. Since 90% of our students are members of the United States Student Nurse Corps, all students must be placed on an accelerated program which means that all required class room instruction and all required clinical experience must be completed in thirty months in order that the last six may be free for essential nursing service in Government or civilian organizations. This sometimes has necessitated a class schedule of from ten to twelve hours per week, without corresponding reduction of hours

on the ward. It has been especially fatiguing for those who were on night duty, and, without doubt has been the most gruelling factor of these war years.

And now I wish to speak again of volunteers for they have been one of our prime morale builders. During the past year in the Nursing Department alone their hourly contribution has equalled that of 47 full time workers. Everybody knows how much they helped us **just to get the work done**, but few realize the other contributions of volunteers, intangible but of inestimable value:—their willingness to do anything that needs to be done, the dignifying of a lowly task, their enthusiasm for their work and their loyalty to the Hospital. Every volunteer is another friend for the hospital, and another person added to our circle of delightful acquaintances. And, oh, the lift which their sense of humor gives us! One of our new groups of volunteers is composed of 60 men, each of whom comes one evening a week to clean and mop. Among the group are business and professional men whose names are well known in Boston and beyond. These cleaners, of course, need only to be provided with tools and to be shown the job. We have another group of volunteer orderlies, 77 in number, each giving one or two evenings a week, who have a sixteen hour course of instruction, including two or three on the work in the operating room. One evening a member of the cleaners group, by mistake, was sent to the surgical amphitheatre. He struggled valiantly as long as his native intelligence and common sense could guide him, but ere long he reached the place where his lack of certain techniques made it impossible for him to proceed. At this point, with a gesture of despair, he looked at the nurse and said "I am sure you don't know that I am only a cleaner." If, some Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, you should turn your radio dial to Station WEEI you will hear that "cleaner"; none other than the Reverend Carl Heath Kopf, on the program "A Beacon Street Window." Several of these workers are teachers. I have reason to believe that at least one is a teacher of physics. The other evening I was walking through the tunnel which leads to the Walcott House. It has a very steep incline. Two of these men were sweeping it, one from the top down, the other from the bottom up. I remarked to the one who was sweeping uphill, "You seem to be getting the harder end of this job." His spontaneous reply was "Oh no. I have studied the air currents in this tunnel, and I know that I am sweeping just as much dirt up into his face as he is sweeping down into mine."

A fine esprit de corps does not come with the mere act of enrolling a group of volunteers. It has been ten years since we enrolled our first Red Cross Aides, and we have learned

much, sometimes by the trial and error method. We have learned that they wish to be effective workers. They wish to know how, when, and where they are to work. They do not wish to be selfconscious and ill at ease. It is the job of the hospital, to which they give their services, to see that they find satisfaction in their work. In a large institution no full time member of the regular staff can give the time which is necessary to orient, guide and instruct a large body of volunteers, and therefore we believe that one of our most important developments of the year was the appointment on March 1st of Mrs. John Hazard, Etta Holly, M.G.H. '31, to the position of instructor and supervisor of volunteers in the Nursing Department. Mrs. Hazard had just the right experience for this job, and what is equally important, has the right personal qualifications. She had been instructor of Aides in the Metropolitan Chapter and Assistant Director of the National Organization of the Red Cross Nursing Aides, and had worked in the Washington Office. In her present position she may be needed at 8 A.M. to orient a new worker, or at 8 P.M. to teach a class of volunteer orderlies. Building on the foundation that Miss Viden and Miss Lepper had laid, Mrs. Hazard, perhaps more than to any other one person, we owe the present successful administration of our program for volunteers in the Nursing Department.

And now back to the school. The United States Student Nurse Cadet Corps was created July 1, 1943. The goal for the first year of enrollment was set for 65,000 and 67,000 enrolled. The Office of War Information credits the recruitment of the Corps the most successful recruitment program of the year. The goal for the current year is 60,000. We wish that the prospects of reaching it were better. On August 15th, 1944 when the Corps was only thirteen and a half months old a Senior Cadet, Winifred Allard, of this class, reported to Camp Devens for duty. Before the year had closed eight more reported, six to Army Hospitals and one each to a Navy and a Marine hospital. Twenty-eight others will report within the next few weeks. The United States Public Health Service are urging that at least 50% of all Senior Cadets enter the military. Their original promise was to remain for the duration in essential nursing service in either Government or civilian nursing institutions. This makes us wish for as large an entering class this year as last, when 219 were admitted. This seems improbable as our February class of this year numbered 57, as compared with 86 in February 1944.

There has been much publicity and divergence of opinion relative to the wisdom of selective service for nurses. While it is a fact that there are not enough nurses in the military services,

it is also a fact that approximately 1 in every 3, or 73,000 of the 221,000 registered nurses classified by the Procurement and Assignment Service, had volunteered prior to the President's message. That number is only 3000 less than the total military needs of today. This is a very good showing by a group who are serving on an entirely volunteer basis. The shortages are, of course, due to the large number of volunteers who were disqualified for physical or professional reasons. Until August of 1944, when people became so optimistic about the end of the war with Germany, Massachusetts had always met its quota for the Red Cross Nursing Service.

One often repeated question is "Will there be too many nurses after the war, and therefore unemployment?" The building program of the Veteran's Hospitals is stupendous. A Bill has been presented to Congress by Mrs. Rogers of Massachusetts to establish in the Veterans Administration a permanent Nurse Corps of 16,000. The majority of civilian hospitals are planning to erect more buildings after the war. This hospital is no exception. It is our belief that there will be employment for all nurses, although it may not be of the kind or in the place preferred. This belief is with the proviso that there is money to pay for their services; but after all, will not the post war adjustments for all groups be largely dependent upon the economic situation?

In these times there is a special need for the stimulation and sense of accomplishment which comes with social and professional activities. In addition to the usual recreational program a student committee has developed the School paper, to the place where it is no longer a mimeographed sheet, but a printed pamphlet with a dignified format and interesting content. In October the Seniors put on a creditable theatrical performance at the Peabody Play House. They have managed their graduation activities with marked success. The only thing which they could not seem to manage is to-night's weather.

Several members of the **Faculty** have done remarkably well in contributing to professional activities beyond the range of their own particular jobs, while others have added to their preparation by enrolling in educational institutions. Miss Sleeper was loaned for five weeks to the Division of Nurse Education of the United States Public Health Service to assist in the establishment of the School of Nursing at the University of South Carolina. In May she was elected President of the National League of Nursing Education. Miss Kempf was loaned to Teachers College to teach in Summer School, Miss Perkins to assist in the making of educational movies for the United States Department of Education. Miss Lepper has been a member of three busy Committees: Recruiting of Student Nurses, Recruiting of Red Cross

Nurses, and the Procurement and Assignment Committee for Classification of Nurses under the War Manpower Commission. One supervisor and two head nurses were given leaves of absence for post graduate work at colleges; one to major in Public Health Nursing, one in Pediatric Nursing and the other in Orthopoedic Nursing. Leaves at this time made it possible for the young women to procure the Bolton Funds to aid in financing their courses. The two who have returned have been promoted to fill vacancies in supervisory positions. Here at home Miss Reiter, Supervisor of Clinical Instruction, has given a thirty hour course in Ward Teaching which was repeated so that all head nurses and assistant head nurses might attend. The course could be taken for credit at Boston University, and was open to nurses from other hospitals. The average attendance was 95. Miss Hall, Supervisor of Pediatric Nursing, planned and assisted in the teaching of a course "The Care and Understanding of the Well Child" which was attended by 143 nurses in this vicinity. Seventeen other members of our graduate staff have taken at least one course at Boston University for academic credit. That institution sent fifteen graduate nurses to us from their Department of Nursing Education for field experience in class room or clinical teaching. Three graduates from other parts of the country, securing post graduate preparation in orthopoedic nursing, spent one month on our orthopoedic wards and attending special clinics. This was under the supervision of Mrs. Andrews. I do not need to tell you that it takes initiative and fortitude on the part of these women, who, in addition to their regular responsibilities, have either furthered their own professional education or taught in order to help other young women to further their education.

Losses from our staff are too numerous to list. Among our major losses were the Pediatric Nursing Supervisor and the Senior Science Instructor to Boston University, the Supervisor of the Psychiatric Unit to the Army, and because of health, a Supervisor of Medical Wards. The number who left from all departments to go to the military services during the year seems relatively small. It was 26. The low number is in the main due to the fact that many young graduates did not return here after graduation, but worked nearer home going from there into service. A number married immediately following graduation, and then went into service after their husbands were sent overseas.

Two nurses were added to the office staff at the Baker Memorial. When the time came that much of the bedside care of the patients at the Baker Memorial was given by student nurses and that very young graduates or even students were

assistant head nurses, it was obvious, that for the safety of the patients and the security of the students, that there must be more instruction and supervision of the students. Therefore, the responsibilities of the supervisory staff were reorganized, an administrative and a teaching supervisor were added. The result is that the care of the patients and the instruction of the students is creditable for war time.

Perhaps the major accomplishment of the year, is in quite another area, namely, the area of personnel practice. Traditionally, hospitals have provided maintenance, as part of the remuneration of graduate nurses, but in recent years the bed capacity of many hospitals has increased more rapidly than the bed capacity of the nurses' residences, with the result that hospitals have often paid a cash allowance in lieu of room, and nurses have lived at home or with friends in an apartment. Today the span of working hours is more frequently an unbroken span and does not include all three meal hours. Obviously when a nurse comes off duty at 3:30 she does not wish to wait until 5:30 for dinner, nor come in for breakfast at 8:00 when she does not report for duty until 10:00. The result was a situation in which the providing of meals was no longer a feasible form of remuneration. Therefore, the Trustees, after long and careful consideration of all the factors involved, voted that beginning on November 1, 1944 the entire remuneration for graduate nurses could be in cash. The nurses have welcomed this change with enthusiasm, and I doubt that there is one who would wish to return to the former plan. The private duty nurse, being in the main on a cash basis, we then had a common base upon which to equalize the remuneration of private duty and staff nurses. This we did, and it became possible for special nurses to act as hospital staff nurses without monetary loss. There is no doubt but what this all cash basis and an hourly rate for part time nurses has increased the amount of graduate nursing service in all parts of the hospital. The change was a trying task for the Trustees and the Director, and for the members of the dietary, accounting, and nursing departments, but the results have been worth the effort.

I wish to speak of our alumnae. We know that 260 are in the military service. Probably there are more. The highest ranking officer is Kathleen Atto, Lt. Col., A.N.C. who is Chief of the Nursing Service in the Second Service Command. The next in rank, as far as we know, is Doris Knights, Major, A.N.C., Chief Nurse of the Sixth General Hospital. There are several with the rank of Captain in the Massachusetts General Unit. Two are at the Cushing Hospital: Jaqueline Davis, Supervisor of the United States Student Nurse Cadet Corps, and Hazel Halladay,

Director of the Military Neuro-Psychiatric School for Army Nurses. Two others with the rank of Captain are Doris Ellinwood, who is Chief Nurse on an army hospital ship, and Sylvia Abbot who is somewhere in the South Pacific.

Lucia Sloper, Lt., A.N.C. is one of the 44 flight nurses who were awarded Air Medals for "meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial evacuation of sick and wounded." Helen Oakes Chadborne, Lt., A.N.C., now in the Philippines, has received a Presidential Citation with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters.

There is no time to review the contribution which nurses are making here at home. That is a story for another time. I shall speak of only one, namely, the Teaching Service for Schools of Nursing which was established near Copley Square in September 1943 by Helen Curley LeVey (1927) and Mildred Cartland (1914). This center has served 15 different schools, provided instruction in 8 different subjects, and has enrolled 1,190 different students, 90% of whom are Cadets. What a contribution to a need of the hour!

Those of us here at the hospital must continually ask whether we are doing the best we can under existing circumstances. We must be sure that we never offer the war as the **reason** for a poor performance when it actually is only an excuse. We must see to it that the Massachusetts General Hospital is still a good place to go when one is sick. To be told so occasionally is a good morale builder. We have had many such builders. I would like to close by telling of one which came close to home. On a hot August day of last summer an alumna of this School of Nursing, who had not been here for many years, brought her husband, a young surgeon, to the Baker Memorial for a complicated operation. Only with the best possible progress would this man be able to return to even a part-time practice before the expiration of five months. It had taken considerable courage for these young people to decide to undertake all that such a program entailed. During a long absence a beloved institution is idealized. Naturally this graduate of ours must have wondered whether or not her husband would find this hospital the great institution that she had led him to expect. But recovery from the operation proceeded exactly according to the desired schedule. The patient was happy in all of his relationships with the hospital personnel. In October he was ready for discharge, and one evening I stood by while he was placed in the ambulance which was to take him to the station. His wife followed him into the ambulance, sat down in the chair beside the stretcher, turned and looked out of the rear window, up at the towering White Building and said "It is a great institution still." The muscles of my throat tightened with emotion, for I

knew I had heard a prayer of thanksgiving. I wished that every person who had contributed in any way to the care of that patient, from the woman who swept the floor to the surgeon who performed the operation, had heard it.

If, somehow, during the stress and strain of a global war, all those who are workers in hospitals everywhere can keep them "great institutions still" they will deserve their share in the joys of victory. No group of workers is doing more toward making them so than the senior students. They have acquired a considerable body of nursing knowledge, a large number of nursing skills, a real sense of responsibility, and a feeling for patients as individuals. With these tools of their profession these members of the Class of 1945 have served well this great institution. With these tools of their profession these young women, in war and in peace, will serve well that greater institution—The United States of America.

As Principal of the School of Nursing of the Massachusetts General Hospital I now present this Class of 1945 to Dr. Lincoln Davis, Chairman of the Trustees' Committee on the School of Nursing who will identify these young women by reading their names before this assembly.

The Vacation House, Fairview, is Closed

It is with great regret that we who have enjoyed and appreciated the Nurses' Vacation House in Rowley, Massachusetts have learned of its closing on January 1, 1945, following twenty-two years of the highest type of service that could be given, and for so small a charge. In June, 1923 through the beneficence of Mrs. L. Carteret Fenno of Boston and Rowley this house was opened to provide a homelike vacation house for nurses. There was extensive acreage which was later used for a small fruit orchard, and for vegetable and flower gardens. During all of these years Mrs. Fenno has assumed the responsibility of taxes, upkeep of the property and salaries of those who operated the House. The object of this gift was to provide a homelike place for nurses and other self-supporting women who needed rest, recreation, and a change of scene, at a place that was within their means.

When the house first opened it accommodated nine guests. In 1924 eighteen rooms were added. The number of guests who enjoyed the hospitality of the house averaged three hundred annually. The guests came from all parts of the United States and there were several graduate students from foreign lands.

In 1923 Miss Christine Wieck, one of Boston's most popular private nurses, was selected to prepare and open Vacation House and serve as administrator and hostess. Endowed with mental and physical vigor she made an excellent executive. With constructive ideas in planning and improving the things about her, Fairview was considered one of the most desirable places for a vacation. The guests appreciated the homelike atmosphere which greeted them on entrance. Good housekeeping was evidenced everywhere. Through simple and inexpensive means, good taste prevailed, and furnishings were in keeping with the old homestead. The attractive sitting room had many windows, and in each there was a potted plant. In season there were freshly cut flowers in artistic containers. On a chilly morning or evening there was the rare treat of an open fire.

Miss Wieck was well qualified as a hostess, never at a loss for a topic to start interesting conversation. She was a lover of books, also of nature, and knew the birds, trees and flowers. She had traveled extensively and having an excellent memory was a good raconteur, and therefore meals were never a dull function. Food was excellent and there was an abundance of it. The get together of the household at meals was always a pleasant occasion. Shop talk was taboo.

Miss Wieck took a personal interest in the welfare and comfort of all her guests, especially in those who had recently been ill. Noting their loss of appetite or of weight, she saw to it that they went out of doors on sunny days. No matter how many duties awaited her attention, she would stop long enough to place a comfortable chair in a protected nook where the convalescent, wrapped in blankets as needed, might really convalesce. In a short time, with such care, the guest was soon well again.

Miss Rachael Wieck was the magic dispenser of our sustenance. She shares the credit of making Vacation House popular. To the seniors she was Miss Wieck, but because of her endearing personality to the juniors she was Aunt Rachael. She possessed a skill and an art which enabled her to prepare wholesome meals that were also appetizing meals. We, like human locusts, devoured them all. In her hands, by some wizardry, the concoction of a simple rice or bread pudding became an epicurean delicacy. Can one ever forget the dozens upon dozens of beautifully browned clover leaf rolls for Saturday night guests, and the feather light fishcakes for Sunday morning?

Those of us who have enjoyed repeated vacations in that lovely old homestead in Rowley, shall always carry in our hearts a deep appreciation of the homelike freedom, the many comforts and the good times enjoyed because of the kind

and unselfish service of a devoted friend, Miss Christine Wieck.

The Nurses Vacation House still stands, alone and empty, awaiting for some one with courage and vision to take up its challenge.

A. McC.

Highland and Rhea Streets
Box 140, RFD 2
Arvada, Colorado
December, 1944

Dear Friends:—

Those of you who remember the chronicle of last year that told the first chapter of our "Great Adventure" may recall that we chose Colorado, and this acreage in particular, because of the climate and the view of the mountains. We still like the climate except for the cold and wet spring, and we never fail to thrill at the mountains, sunsets, and almost constant sunshine.

It seems that we left you last Christmas with a pretty primitive picture of our living conditions—as one friend calls it, our "pioneer life." In many ways it was like pioneering for, due to the shortness of labor as well as the need for economy we had to create many of the improvements ourselves. We therefore feel quite proud to report that now all the "junkiness" has been eradicated and we can boast a completely modern house except for central heating. But we hope to have that soon.

One of the first things we did this year was to tear down one long unsightly chicken house right in the front yard. In June we had a cute little house moved in on that site for Clarence's parents, who joined us in May. Loell and Lucille, Clarence's brother and his wife, came out with the folks for a visit and while here the men made a new driveway twice as wide and much more attractive than the old one which was too narrow and too close to the house. Since then we have filled in the old driveway and graded that part of the lawn preparatory to seeding in grass in the spring. Early in the summer the men moved a number of misplaced outbuildings which were all crowded uncomfortably close around the house. First went old "Chic Sales," then a combination work shop and coal house, then a small storage house. Grandpa and Clarence converted the coal shed into a miniature cow barn with stanchions, a gutter drain, gate to separate cow and calf stalls, feed bins, small hay mow above, and lean-to sheds on two sides of the building—one for hay storage and one for a shelter. They also installed a series of electric fences which are really effective in keeping

the cattle where they belong. The storage house was moved to the site of our coming orchard. Later we hope to add a screen porch on three sides and make a summer house and picnic place in the orchard.

Mary struggled with three-fourths acre of garden this year. Irrigation presented a new problem to all of us, for although we had an abundance of water we had to learn how to handle it. We expect to profit next year by our experience. A much smaller garden, more concentrated cultivation and better utilization of water is the plan, as plants properly cared for yield tremendous quantities in this country. We had all the raspberries and early vegetables we could eat and preserve for winter. Grandma and Mary made things hum during the harvest seasons. Two people working at a job like that would be a chore for one, accomplish a great deal in record time—at least those two do, because they have systematic teamwork. As Grandma says, when she and Mary tackle a couple of bushels of peas to can, they "go through the job like a dose of salts." And so it was from May, when we began with asparagus until the last chicken lost his head in October. By then we had six long shelves full of canned cherries, plums, apple sauce, apricots, jam, and the customary vegetables besides, in the locker, 40 pints of raspberries, 25 pounds each of peas and asparagus, and some corn and broccoli. Our tomato crop and most of our corn and the late crops, including a second crop of alfalfa, were ruined by the worst hail storm in years. The hail also ruined all our roofs, making it necessary to shingle one house and patch up the roofs of all the other buildings.

We still have rabbits which give a nice variety in meat and at present we have thirty pullets and one rooster. We had about one hundred baby chicks last spring but, like most people, lost more than anticipated during the miserable spring. However, we now have as many pullets as we want for laying (are now getting eight or nine eggs a day) and have upwards of one hundred pounds of chicken meat canned or in the locker.

Yes, we may have worked harder than some of you this past year, but we are willing to wager we've eaten better. Sometimes, when we think of the starving millions of Europe and the hardships our soldiers must endure, we suffer from tender consciences while we consume bacon (which can't be bought), cream so thick you have to use a spoon, and all the fresh raspberries, peas and asparagus we want.

Joan and Dick Springer, neice and nephew, came the first of June to spend the summer with us. Minnie and Allen, their father and mother, came up the first of September to take Dick back to Texas with them where he entered Allen Military Aca-

demy. Joan stayed here to go to high school with Jane. With three girls and two dogs (Judy and Peggy) we have a very lively household. The girls are growing up fast and are a big help. Cecilia has grown like a weed and promises to be quite a little housekeeper soon. Every morning before she goes for the bus at 8 A.M. she makes her bed and tidies her room and helps Jane wash the breakfast dishes. She also washes out her own socks and polishes her shoes every night, which we think is pretty good for a seven-year-old. The big girls are "taking a course in home economics at home," as Joan says. They share the responsibility of dishes and cleaning, Jane is responsible for bringing in the fuel and Joan has charge of the chickens. All the girls are doing well in school and Joan is making plans for college.

Although we have been busy, we haven't ignored entirely the constant beckoning of the glorious Rockies. On one occasion, Clarence and Mary joined a group of ambitious folks who aspired to climb to the top of Long's Peake, one of Colorado's many 14,000 ft. plus high mountains. Although we didn't quite reach the top, we didn't do too badly, Mary and the other women in the party settled with going two-thirds of the way about five and a half miles up) while Clarence and the other man plugged away for three more miles before deciding that the hour was too late to go to the summit and back down before dark. When you're up that high in the world pigmy man and his futile struggles seem of inconsequential significance.

In a drive consuming less than half an hour we can be in the mountains ready to roast hot dogs and smell the invigorating clear scent of the pines all about us. This country has boundless possibilities for communing with nature and the accessibility of the mountains supercedes the equally beautiful but less useable and more crowded New England ranges which Mary loves so much.

Clarence resigned his position with the Colorado State Rehabilitation Service in March to accept a position with the Veterans Administration in Denver as a Vocational Advisor. He likes his new work and his associates and Chief of the Division better than any he has ever had. He feels that there is a fruitful field for usefulness for a long time to come. He also is teaching an evening class in vocational counseling at Denver University and is on the advisory committee at D. U. and the University of Colorado working our new curricula in his special field. He is also assisting with plans for the Regional Conference of the Council of Guidance and Personnel Associations to be held in Denver next February.

We have made some interesting and enjoyable acquaintances in our neighborhood and through Clarence's work and his

University affiliations. After keeping our noses to the grindstone for a year, we are beginning to enjoy some social life. We've had two big dinner parties and have been entertained upon a number of occasions this fall and early winter. We enjoy our new friends all the more for our year of social sterility.

Now we believe we have brought you pretty much up to date in this second chapter of our chronicle. Nothing would please us more than to include some of our friends in the succeeding chapters of "Life on a Farm in Colorado." Heed our advice and add Colorado Rockies to your list of "musts" after the war. As soon as materials are obtainable, we plan to remodel our house making it more commodious so that we can accommodate our friends.

With best wishes for all of you, we join in the universal prayer for a speedy winning of Victory and of true "peace on earth, good will to men."

Sincerely,

Clarence Failor

Mary M. Springer (1926) Failor

Jane

Celia

Maj. Doris Knights, A.N.C.
6th Gen. Hosp. A.P.O. 764
C/o Postmaster
New York, New York
3 January 1945
Somewhere in Italy

My dear Miss Mulville:

Will you please extend to the members of the Nurses' Club of Base Hospital No. 6, A.E.F., and especially to your committee of Mrs. Hugh Robinson and Miss Mary Lee, the most sincere thanks and appreciation from the girls in this hospital for the wonderful collection of books we have received. It was such an appropriate Christmas remembrance and at this particular time we have more opportunity of reading than ever before. Miss Lee's autographed copy of "It's a Great War" is most interesting and many of us have never had access to it before. We have also received "Strange Fruit" which was sent under separate cover, and that is intriguing because of the controversy which it has created. (We have not progressed very far in our treatment of colored people). The books on Rome are fine and I notice that they are in circulation most of the time.

We've had fine holidays, both Christmas and New Year—turkey twice with all the fixins, but we missed our usual wards full of patients. I think the quiet waiting times in the Army are harder than the "pushes."

With very good wishes to each and all in Base Hospital No. 6, I am

Sincerely yours,

Doris Knights (1931)

209th USAHS "Larkspur"
C/o Postmaster
New York, New York
7 January 1945 at sea.

Dear Miss McCrae:

It certainly was nice to get your very interesting letter when I was in port the last time . . .

This will be my third trip to a foreign post since I last wrote to you. Each one has been very interesting and quite different.

On the outbound voyage we do not work as hard as we do when we have patients aboard, so we get caught up on odds and ends. Reading, sewing and such. One of our officers holds a class in conversational Spanish each morning. Many of the nurses attend. I seem to be too popular with the telephone and was interrupted so many times in class, that I gave up on the third lesson. Then they have lessons in music appreciation, and book reviews. And the nurses hold classes of inspection for the Corpsmen. So time really doesn't drag. Coming back we devote all of our time to the patients and they are a joy to work for. We feel we are really doing something.

We have a very lovely ship, and as a hospital, complete in every detail. The wards are spacious with upper and lower bunks. Nice Simmons mattresses, some of the lower bunks Gatch style. We have two good sized operating rooms, a sterilizing room and work room. Complete x-ray and dental department and an out patient department as well.

The nurses' quarters are lovely. We are on "B" Deck midships to aft. Two nurses to a room—a nice lounge with comfortable chairs, writing desks, a piano, card tables, etc. We also have our own open deck—for nurses only—where a few of the brave can sun bathe if they wish. Just now the weather does not permit. But we do travel in Southern waters where it is really hot!

Christmas day was really lovely. We were still in the Gulf

Stream "somewhere" and it was almost hot. Far different than any Christmas that I have ever seen. We had a nice little celebration too. We had Christmas trees which we took on while in Charleston and the decorations were for the most part, home made. But everyone turned loose with their special talents and the results were most surprising. Even Santa came board. How he found us I don't know. Being a slow ship—only ten knots—he said he caught up to us in a tug!

We take a lot of joking about our speed—but we still think we have the best ship in the Hospital Ship fleet. However, I do agree with you on the name. Larkspur has its association and memories—but they didn't ask me!!

Do you ever listen to the "Army Hour" on Sunday afternoons? If so you might have heard the one where they told the story of hospital ships and used the Larkspur for back-ground. I had a very small bit to say in it. We made a transcription in England at the beginning of the voyage and completed it with "line" broadcast at Stark General Hospital in Charleston, S. C. at the end of the trip. A couple of the patients had the most to say and they did very well.

I hear the steward ringing the bell so I'd better go to supper or lose out entirely. It's a long time to breakfast and I find eating meals regularly is one of the best preventatives for sea sickness. Even though you have to force it down sometimes. But now—I am a good sailor. Haven't had a bit of trouble this time and it really has been rough.

My best wishes to you for a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Doris E. Ellinwood (1925)

Lt. M. F. Reardon, N721930
812th Med. AET Sq. APO 953
C/o P.M. San Francisco, California
21 January 1945

Dear Miss Kempf:

It has been a long time I know, but I shall try to make up for it. Really, it's going to be wonderful when this is all over to settle down in one place for good and not live all over the Pacific first on one island and then another, carrying ones clothes, make-up kit, etc., in a parachute bag (that instead of a val pack, because more can be stuffed in).

Since last writing to you, I have made trips to Tarawa, Kwajalein, Guadalcanal, and Saipan, evacuating patients from

those places to the Hawaiian Islands. A different group takes patients to the mainland. Right now I spend only about two days on Oahu between trips as we are based in the Marianas and from there have been making trips into the Philippines and bringing those casualties back to Oahu. There is a rotation system for flying personnel, and we expect to return to the mainland at least by summer when we have completed eighteen months of flying. After just a year most of us have about a thousand hours of flying. I expect we will get ground duty in the States, but after six months we are liable to be sent back out to do air evacuation again. Confidentially, I am watching the European war with great interest . . .

Let's see, so much has happened in the last year that it's hard to pick out definite things to write about. It will be so much easier to talk about them. Surely, I'll have time to spend a few days in Boston when I return and have my leave. It will be fun to see you all then. I have been home once. In October I was given orders to take a load of patients to San Francisco. I had a fifteen-day delay en route, so naturally headed for Connecticut. Golly, it was wonderful to see everyone again altho I began to get a little tired of being treated like a heroine. It's a funny thing, but when it came time to return, I was anxious to get back here. I really missed it. I wondered what my squadron was doing. Our work gives so much satisfaction, really. I know I'll miss it when I return to ground duty but don't think I'm not in a hurry to get this thing over with! I wish it could be tomorrow.

The four flight leaders in our outfit were finally promoted, so I've been a first lieutenant since November 15th.

You might like to know about life on Saipan. We have three quonset huts in one of the hospital areas. We live there in our nurses' area although we don't work in the hospital as we only have a few days between our long trips (one of our trips is thirteen hours of continuous flying) and need that time to rest. Our huts are partitioned and there are two girls in each room. They are really quite nice—they overlook the bay and right now it is quite cool. (That wasn't so last August during the rainy season when we swished around in the mud, ankle-deep, and sweltered all day in hot tents). My roommate and I have fixed up our room so that it's quite comfortable. A friend of mine in the Engineers had a dressing table made for us and we feel like real ladies. We can't complain about the social life either. Officers' Clubs are sprouting all over the island and there's at least one dance every Saturday night with a few scattered through the week. It's not uncommon to have some marine say "You're the first girl I've danced with in eighteen months." We

even brought out our beige uniforms to wear Christmas day—we also discovered that they aren't the best things to wear during an air raid though.

About our work—on long trips we carry up to 25 litter cases. We have room for more but we have to take on extra gas to make the long trip. On our trips from the Philippines I've had as many as 40 patients—not all of them were litter cases, however. A great deal of credit is due our surgical technicians—the sergeants who work with us. They have worked hard and we are very proud of them. I have never been away from orthopedics. Step into almost any one of our planes, and it looks like a fracture ward with shoulder and hip spica casts on your right and left. I also had a patient with a tracheotomy tube on one of my most recent trips.

The boys are all truly wonderful. It makes you proud to be in this with them. It doesn't seem right that we should have to think of drafting nurses.

Please give my best to all my friends at M.G.H. I'm looking forward to seeing you some time this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mary F. Reardon (1940)

Lt. S. B. Convelski, N721496
20th Station Hospital
A.P.O. 709, C/o P.M.
San Francisco, California
29 January, 1945

Dear Miss Kempf:

You seem to have become quite a winter sports enthusiast. I'm envious of all that snow and lovely green fir trees. Frankly speaking tho' South Pacific islands are not the paradise which Dorothy Lamour in her screen portrayals might lead one to believe. The natives are picturesque and some are quite clean, but I haven't seen any yet that resemble in any way shape or manner Hedy Lamarr or Dorothy Lamour. As for the palm trees and romantic settings—it is quite true on a moonlight night, one could easily get romantic particularly in New Caledonia; I have seen some gorgeous night scenes, surf-palms, moonlight and music. Very nice, but even all that gets monotonous after a while, because to most of us it merely makes us more homesick for New England and similar spots.

I'm not in New Caledonia now. I asked for a transfer as most of that unit was southern, and we few New England girls

were outsiders, so now eight of us from New England are in Guadalcanal, where the vegetation is very lush, and scenery beautiful, but Oh, it is so terrifically warm here. Fortunately we managed to acquire a few fans and we keep them going most of the time in order to help evaporation.

We wear a minimum of clothing during the day, a tan and white seersucker dress, not much else, no stocking until after 6 P.M. when malaria control goes into effect, then we have to wear long sleeves, slacks, et cetera.

We have very nice living quarters, Quonset huts, clean but when it rains they leak, and how. Water comes in the window (which we can't tolerate closed) streams down the wall and as my floor slopes, it runs out into the hall. I'm so glad my floor slopes, saves me much trouble, but my friends across the hall, well they just "don't like."

I'm with a nice group of girls now, which helps my moral a bit.

Expected I'd be in the P. I. by now, am quite disappointed. Am dying to see Manila.

Oh, well, maybe I'll get back sometime. Shall have two years over-seas 1st of May. Plan to ask for 30 day leave. Don't really expect to get it, but shall ask anyway.

Will you remember me to Miss Johnson, Miss Sleeper and the others—

Write sometime, when you have time.

As ever,

Stephanie Convelski (1933)

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPRINTED FROM THE
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL "NEWS"
OF MARCH, 1945

Another letter has come to Dr. Faxon from Colonel Goethals. It was written January 21.

After my last letter to you things began to relax a bit, until finally, on 22 December, we discharged our last patients and reverted to the status of a staging unit. We went into winter quarters, so to speak, by pulling all our personnel in from tents and giving them rooms in the building. We packed all the supplies and have been ready for a month to move. In the meantime we have lost all of our medical corps officers save seven;

all of our dentists except two; all of our MAC officers save eight. No nurses are left except Miss Knights and two others. Over 100 of our men are gone. All losses have been to detached service or temporary duty elsewhere.

Hiram Jones and Knowles Lawrence are on one surgical team. Jack Frazee and Claude McGahey on another—both the Fifth Army. Sullivan is perennially away; we carry him on our strength but have had him present for duty hardly a fortnight in the past year. Halsted and Kranes have been working with the Fifth Army for approximately four and three months respectively. The other professional officers and nurses are in other hospitals in this base section. King, Rogers, Bland, Bartlett, Gundersen, Smith, and I hold the fort representing the Medical Corps; Rae and Wands the Dental Corps. Even Hamilton has been away on an inspection trip, but he should be back shortly. Kelley, with two MAC officers, six nurses, and thirty-seven men, has taken over a hospital train.

In short, we are in reserve, waiting for the next move. All depends upon what the Fifth Army does. If they go ahead, either by fighting their way or unopposed (due to the possibility that the boche will give up Italy to reinforce his eastern or western fronts), we shall follow. Until then, here we are and, so far as I can predict, here we remain. We are in exactly the same situation as that of another General Hospital last year which staged for six or seven months before a place was available in which to open station.

We have gone back to basic military training, with lectures, orientation talks, training films, close order drills, and road marches. The latter are strenuous and show how much we have softened since coming overseas. I am glad the nurses and most of the professional service officers are off our hands, as they are much better off when kept at professional jobs.

T. Stewart Hamilton has just been promoted to the grade of lieutenant colonel. The young man won his spurs in the give and take and rough and tumble of the present complexion of administrative life.

You may have seen one or two of our nurses who have recently returned on rotation or temporary duty. I understand that the quota for TD is to be liberalized in the near future, so you may well yet see more of us before the war ends.

Dr. Francis M. Rackemann (EM 1914) has been elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Boston State Hospital.

THE LAUGH OF SPRING

Of all the miracles I would sing
The first I choose is the Laugh of Spring.

Can you, whose ears are dulled by over-hearing
From rush of cars along the noisy street,
Bells clanging, whistles shrilling, hammers beating—
Say, can you hear Spring's laughter, faint and sweet?

But the birds hear it, far away—
Miles and miles and miles away—
Hear it and know it and obey.

Bird-wings tremble, bird-hearts thrill,
Bird-throats swell with warble and trill
Echoing the laugh from hill to hill

Never a piper's flute-note swelling
Carried a magic so all-excelling,
So far-reaching, so compelling.

You of the city, have you never heard it,
A trilling flute-note, bird-note—what you will—
That made you yearn to echo it and follow
Along the river road and up the hill?

But the frozen brook, in its gravelly bed,
Hears it and wakens, though dumb and dead;
Hears it know it and lifts its head;

Sends back the laugh while its pulses quiver,
Throws off the spell with tremor and shiver
And runs, one laughter, from source to river.

Oh, the Laugh of Spring is the plucked harp-string
Of David's harp; it is pebble and sling
To the giant of Winter's harboring.

Yea, of all the miracles I would sing
The first I choose is the Laugh of Spring.

Harriet L. Wedgwood (1919)

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Abbott, Sylvia, Capt.		1931	Army	9th Gen. Hosp., APO 920, San Francisco
Ainsworth, Leah Clark, Lt.		1923	Army	
Allen, Margaret Hazen, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Armstrong, Katherine, Ens.		1938	Navy	USNTS (F C-D) Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Atto, Kathleen, Lt. Col.		1922	Army	Hotel Marie Antoinette, Broadway at 66th Street, NYC
Ayer, Dorothy, Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Babcock, Grace R., Lt.		1939	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barrett, Ann, Ens.		1943	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho
Barrett, Katherine C., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Goldie, Lt.		1926	Army	A.N.C., N 744468, APO 511 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Rowena, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 72166 (Sq. K 1380th AAF. Bu., Presque Isle, Me.
Batin, Gladys McCracken, Lt.		1933	Army	Mitchell Field, Long Island, NY
Bean, Esther M., Lt.		1934	Army	
Beardwood, Gladys, Lt.		1925	Army	3119 SCN Med. Dept., Camp Edwards, Mass.
Beatham, Sybil, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720-484, 31st Sta. Hosp., APO 502 Postmaster, San Francisco
Beaudette, Laurianne, Lt.		1937	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Becker, Helen Gibbons, Lt.		1933	Army	Cushing Gen. Hosp., Framingham, Mass.
Benedict, Rebecca, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 752929, 54th Gen. Hosp., APO 565 San Francisco, Calif.
Benyon, Marion, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 751199, 16th Sta. Hosp., APO Postmaster, NYC
Berg, Aino K., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753211, 221st General Hospital
Binns, Julia, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 742205, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Bitzer, Barbara, Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752070, 16th General Hospital, APO 350 Postmaster, NYC
Blaney, Evelyn M., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster NYC
Blood, Margaret Mahoney, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 741705 8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco, Calif.
Bourne, Constance E., Lt.		1938	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bowers, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 744678, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Boyce, Gula, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 752897, 119 General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Boyle, Rita, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741667, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brandon, Geraldine, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brebbia, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Briggs, Cleora, Lt.		1942	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Britt, Florence, Lt.		1935	Army	
Brooks, Jessie H., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brown, Louise M., Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Brown, Jessie, Lt.		1943	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bruce, Elaine, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758401, 125th Evac. Hospital, APO 349A, Postmaster, NYC
Bruno, Carmela, Lt.		1942	Army	
Buckley, Elizabeth, Ens.		1942	Navy	

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Burgess, Linda, Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741671 MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Burns, Helen P., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752903, 162 General Hospital, Postmaster, NYC APO 514
Butcher, Edith J., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Canning, Mary A., Capt.		1923	Army	N. 742143, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cape, Jacqueline, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital
Cardinali, Inez, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752638, 262 General Hospital, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Carpenter, Mary L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 744003, 13th Field Hospital, APO 230, NYC
Carr, Kathryn, Lt.		1942	Army	
Cassell, Blair, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Casey, Mary L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Chadbourne, Helen O., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 720839, 10th Evacuation Hospital, APO 923 Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Chrystal, Dorothy M., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 741976, 59th Evacuation Hosp., APO 758, NYC
Clark, Alice		1939	Army	N. 720016, 33rd Surgical Hospital, APO 923, San Francisco, Calif.
Coffey, Eileen, Lt.		1938	Army	N. 720198, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Cogswell, Thelma B., Lt.		1926	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Coghlan, Helen J., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Connor, Louise Lunt, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Storey, Virginia
Convelski, Stephanie, Lt.		1933	Army	8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco
Conza, Ermine, Capt.		1920	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Coolidge, Mary, Lt.		1927	Army	314th Station Hospital, APO 511
Cooper, Jean, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Corcoran, Alice M., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Corthell, Beatrice M., Lt.		1922	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Cox, Christine, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752272, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Crafts, Eleanor B., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741678, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Cree, Edna, Lt.		1928	Army	
Davis, E. Jacqueline, Capt.		1932	Army	N. 751186, Cushing Gen. Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Davis, Miriam, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Davis, Natalie, 1st Lt.		1928	Army	N. 759376, 3rd Aux. Surgical Group, APO 230, NYC
Dawson, Marjorie, Lt.		1936	Army	Station Hospital, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin
Dervin, Margaret, Lt.		1932	Army	Fort Banks, Winthrop
DeWolf, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Donahue, Josephine, Lt.		1941	Army	Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
Dow, Miriam Atwood, Lt.		1924	Army	218th U. S. Army Hospital Ship Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Doyle, Rita, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Drolet, Velma A., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Duffy, Dorothy, Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Dumaine, Betty		1926	A.R.C.	APO 884, New York City
Durning, Virginia, Lt.		1943	Army	67th
Dwyer, Mary E., Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751594, 5th Gen. Hospital, APO 350, NYC

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Eaton, Caroline, Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ellinwood, Doris, Capt.		1925	Army	209th USAHS Complement-Station Hospital, C. P. of E., Charleston, S. C.
Emerson, Edna, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Emery, Margaret, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ethier, Mildred, Lt.		1920	Army	N. 721821, 18th General Hospital, APO 689, PM NYC
Eveleth, Annette L., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 742207, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Farley, Grace, Lt.		1943	Army	
Farrar, Priscilla, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Long Beach, Calif.
Finn, Helen L., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758366, 178th Gen. Hosp., APO 17172, Post- master, NYC
Finn, Mary E., Lt.		1939	Army	
Forand, Avis L., Lt.		1942	Army	Base Hospital, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Delaware
Forbes, Pauline G., Lt.		1929	Army	Camp Myles Standish, Taunton, Mass.
Ford, Anna, Lt.		1942	Army	
Forgey, Grace Riordan, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 752310, 110th General Hospital, APO 69, Postmaster, NYC
Forrant, Helen A., Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741683 MGH Unit 764, Postmaster, NYC
Fraser, Mary A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Flett, May L., Lt.		1923	Army	N. 758894, 235th General Hospital, APO 772, PM NYC
Gardner, Grace E., Ens.		1932	Navy	Newport Naval Hospital
Gardner, Ruth G., Ens.		1938	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Bloomington, Ind.
Gates, Evelyn, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751150, Station Hospital, Lory Field, Colo.
Giberti, Florence L., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Gianarakos, Anastasia, Lt.		1941	Army	
Glynn, Eileen, Ens.		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Corona, Calif.
Goethal, Yvonne, Lt.		1939	Army	New Orleans Air Base, New Orleans, La.
Goldthwait, Marjorie, Lt. (j.g.)		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Graham, Helen K., Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Virginia
Gravelle, Jean, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Gredzinski, Helen, Ens.		1940	Navy	Station Hospital, Sampson, N. Y.
Greene, Ardenia Abbott, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Guillemette, Loretta, Lt.		1940	Army	Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.
Haddon, Ruth, Lt.		1939	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Halekas, Garyfallia, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751367, USAHS "C. A. Stafford" E APO 464, Lexington Avenue, NYC
Haley, Blanche, Lt.		1930	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Halladay, Hazel, Capt.		1930	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Hansis, Evelyn, Lt.		1939	Army	N. 721945, U. S. Mercy (A H 8) San Francisco, Calif.
Hardy, Amanda B., Lt.		1926	Army	62 General Hospital, APO 9648, NYC
Hardy, Nancy, Lt.		1944	Army	
Harlow, Ermelyne O., Lt.		1928	Army	11th Evacuation Hospital, APO 758, NYC
Harris, Winona Meilleur, Lt.		1941	Army	Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia
Harper, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 787578, A.A.F. Station Hospital, Gulfport, Army Air Field, Miss.

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Hart, Ann A., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753194, 221st General Hospital, APO 513, Postmaster, NYC
Hart, Mary Patricia, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Hartnett, Helen F., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 788539, 821st M.A.E.T.S. APO 629, NYC
Hartnett, Marguerite E., Ens.		1943	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Hathaway, Ruth, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Hewit, Helen G., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Hitchings, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Hollister, Louise H., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 741692, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holmes, Isabel, Lt.		1941	Army	
Holt, Cynthia, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holt, Norma Nesmith, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751477, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Horton, Ruth, Lt.		1941	Army	14th Evac. Hosp., APO 689, PM NYC
Hoyt, Ruth, Ens.		1929	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, Long Beach, Calif.
Hussey, Edwina, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720970, 5th General Hospital, U. S. Army APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
James, Doris, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Ft. Devans, Mass.
Jarvis, Katherine, Lt.		1940	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Jensen, Barbara, Lt. (j.g.)		1939	Navy	U. S. Fleet, Hospital 113, Geneva, Ave. and Moscow St., San Francisco, Calif.
Jebens, Winifred P., Lt.		1929	Army	
Jewell, Martha, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741695, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Johnson, Elsie, Lt.		1937	Army	Station Hospital, Fort Adams, R. I.
Johnson, Harriet L., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741696, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC.
Keane, Rita M., Lt.		1936	Army	India
Kearns, Muriel, Ens.		1936	Navy	U.S.N. Hosp., Navy No. 10, FPO San Francisco, California
Kellogg, Violet, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Kerzick, Mildred, Lt.		1934	Army	
Kidder, Virginia D., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Kimball, Martha, Ens.		1941	Navy	U.S.S. "Solace," San Francisco, Calif.
King, Evelyn V., Lt.		1938	Army	N. 741699, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Knights, Doris, Maj.		1931	Army	N. 720156, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Koziol, Genevieve, Lt.		1944	Army	N. 752597, 184th Gen. Hospital, APO 514, NYC
Krook, Elsie, Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
LaFleur, Marjorie, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Lanouette, Naomi, Lt.		1927	Army	Fort Barrancus, Florida
Lawrence, Ruth, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 741703, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lord, Elizabeth W., Ens.		1932	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Lowney, Carolyn, Lt.		1941	Army	13th Station Hospital, APO 703, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Luby, Lillian L., Lt.		1940	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Lyons, Catherine E., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lunt, Lucine M., Lt.		1930	Army	

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MacNeill, Hazel W., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacSwain, Mary C., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Madden, Philipmena, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mainiero, Lena, Lt.		1944	Army	B.T.C. SCU 3115, Fort Devens, Ayer, Mass.
Mansfield, Shirley, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Mather, Jean T., Lt. (j.g.)		1941	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital, No. 105, San Francisco, Calif.
Maxwell, Barbara E., Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
May, Marjorie, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
McCabe, Kathryn Lovejoy, Lt.		1936	Army	
McCormack, Madeline, Ens.		1943	Navy	N. 334792, U. S. Naval Hosp., Chelsea, Mass.
McCullough, Ethel, Lt.,		1937	Army	N. 751616, 181 General Hospital APO 883, NYC
McDonald, Jeannette C., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McDonald, Frances C., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McDonnell, Rose C., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
McGarry, Catherine, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 721318, Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
McGlynn, Dorothy F., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 787585, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Del.
McKee, Anna A., Lt.		1937	Army	N. 788105, 805th M.A.E.T. Sq. A.A.B., Dunnellon, Florida
McKee, Kathleen Mulvey, Lt.		1921	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McKinnon, Christine A., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McKenzie, Ann, Lt.		1941	Army	
McLellan, Bessie, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741710, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McMorran, Frances, Lt.		1942	Army	AP0 782, Postmaster, NYC
McWilliam, Priscilla Bonney Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752957, APO 7986, San Francisco, Calif.
Mears, Ann, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751350, APO 957, 204th General Hospital, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Meilleur, Winona, Lt.		1941	Army	
Moles, Dorothy I., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 720928, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Monaghan, Genevieve, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 752270, 29th Field Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Anne E., Lt.		1940	Army	181 General Hospital, APO 883, NYC
Moore, Anna L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Christine H., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741712, 114th Station Hospital, APO 782, NYC
Mosher, Louise G., Lt.		1936	Army	50th General Hospital, Camp Carson, Colo.
Mulholland, Anna, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Munroe, Barbara, Lt.		1942	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Nason, Eleanor, Ens.		1942	Navy	U.S.N. Hospital, N.O.B., Norfolk, Va.
Nelson, Earlyne, Lt.		1942	Army	218th U. S. Ship-Dogwood, Postmaster NYC
Nelson, Margaret, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 920356, 15th Evacuation Hospital, APO 464, NYC
Newcomb, Ruth, Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Va.
Nickerson, Dorothy A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC

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O'Brien, Margaret, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752586, 184th General Hospital, APO 514 NYC
O'Leary, Rita E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Oosting, Minnie, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Ottley, Jean, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 721055, 200th Station Hospital, APO 3413, Postmaster, Miami, Florida
Parker, Carolyn A., Lt.		1942	Army	177th General Hospital
Possios, Alexandria, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Penniman, Ruth F., Lt.		1926	Army	N. 741982, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pentecost, Claire, Ens.		1940	Navy	District Mailing Center, 14th Naval District, Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco
Peterson, Barbara R., Lt.		1939	Army	N. 741715, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Phelps, Mavis, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Piippo, Regina Arline, Ens.		1941	Navy	
Pitman, Eleanor, Capt.		1925	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Plant, Eunice, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pritchard, Anna E., Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Quinn, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752817, 119th General Hospital, APO 314, NYC, N. Y.
Reardon, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.
Reed, Carolyn Hayward Lt.		1922	Army	Station Hospital, Pine Camp, Watertown, N. Y.
Rein, Rita, Ens.		1934	Navy	Navy 231, Hosp. G 40, FPO PM NYC
Renn, Elsie G., Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Roberts, Jean, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752872, 200th Hospital Ship "Complement"
Robichaud, Eliz. Stevens, Lt.		1942	Army	U.S.A. Hospital Ship "Chateau Thierry," Post- master, NYC
Rose, Eunice, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741719, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ross, Jean Perin, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Russell, Alice G., Lt.		1941	Army	19th General Hospital, APO 518, Postmaster, NYC
Sarad, Julia, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, El Cantro, Calif.
Sears, Virginia L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Shaw, Helen D., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 742146, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Sheehan, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	
Sheldon, Lilla, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hosp. Fort Devens, Mass.
Sherer, Louise C., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Simpson, Phyllis L., Ens.		1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Slattery, Ethel M., Ens.		1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Sloper, Lucia W., Lt.		1939	Army	
Smith, Constance, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Smith, Ruth Myers, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Ft. Devens, Mass.
Smith, Phyllis, Ens.		1942	Navy	
Somerville, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Southway, Doris Carpenter, Lt.		1922	Army	N. 752036, 16th General Hospital, APO 350
Spillane, Beatrice G., Ens.		1928	Navy	

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Staats, Mary H., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital 105, FPO, San Francisco, California
Stacey, Eleanor C., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Stanford, Beatrice Belisle, Lt.		1941	Army	Home, 422 June St., Fall River, Mass.
Stevens, Helene Cousins, Capt. (Mrs. George)		1938	Army	N. 751609, 314th Station Hospital, APO 511, Postmaster, NYC
Stoney, Dorothy, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 720549, McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas
Sullivan, Helen, Ens.		1941	Navy	Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.
Sullivan, Mary Eliz., Lt.		1941	Army	
Sweeney, Mary, Lt.		1941	Army	2nd Station Hospital, APO 920, San Francisco, Calif.
Thigpen, Lorna, Lt.		1943	Army	Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Miss.
Tinkham, Anna L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 741868, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Tolman, Madeline A., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 744520, APO 511, 67th General, NYC
Townsend, Lois, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 751257, 140th General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Triggs, Grace, Ens.		1941	Navy	Newport, R. I.
Wentworth, Virginia, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
White, Alice M., Lt.		1930	Army	AP0 845, Postmaster NYC
Whittier, Eva, Lt.		1932	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Wilcox, Chloe D., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilkins, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 721944, 4th Aux. Surg. Group, APO 403 NYC
Willis, Irene E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilson, Margaret E., Ens.		1938	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Wilson, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741980, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Woods, Josephine, Ens.		1936	Navy	USMC, U. S. Naval Hospital, NAB, Norfolk 11, Virginia
Wright, Elizabeth Upton, Lt.		1927	Army	110th General Hospital, England
Wright, Helen Elizabeth, Lt.		1941	Army	Air Base, Miami Beach, Florida
Wrigley, Nellie, Lt.		1939	Army	W. 721924, 36 General Hospital, APO 380, Postmaster NYC
Yancey, Alice, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 3721801, 263 General Hospital, APO 465 NYC
Zagorin, Libby, Lt.		1941	Army	200th Hospital Ship Complement, Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, Long Island, NY

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New Student Council officers for 1945 are: President, Jeanne Mercer; Vice-President, Anne Sage; Secretary, Barbara Watson; Treasurer, Barbara Davis.

The MGH Student Nurses Guild, an organization for Protestant students, announces the election of the following officers: Chairman, Marjorie Norcross; Vice-Chairman, Anne Sage; and Secretary-Treasurer, Betty Halsted. The Reverend Rollins Fairbanks and Miss Helen French are advisers to the Guild. Meetings are to consist of a business session followed by a speaker and then refreshments. From time to time, however, the program will give way to a purely social evening of discussion or dancing.

On Tuesday, February 20th, members of the Guild heard Miss Ida May Greer's interesting talk on "17th Century Remedies." "The 17th century," said Miss Greer in part, "was the days of wiches, charms and herbs. Yet many of these seemingly outrageous superstitions were founded on fact, using principles that are still used today.

March 2nd saw the inauguration of a new system for student dances. Informal dances are scheduled for every other Friday. As we went to press, the following dates had been established: March 2nd, 16th and 30th.

All those who are interested in organizing an MGH orchestra are urged to contact Miss Esther Reade (via House Mail), and to watch the bulletin board for further developments. This invitation is extended to student and graduate nurses, House Officers and Harvard Medical students.

A score of student nurses participated in the Annual Retreat of the Guild of St. Radegonde on February 26th, 27th, 28th, and March 1st and 2nd.

The Reverend Francis L. Archdeacon, S.J., was Retreat Master. Guild members also attended the Communion Breakfast at the Copley Plaza on Sunday, March 4th. The Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, D.D., and Archbishop of Boston, was the guest speaker.

+ + THE ALUMNAE + +

On January 30, 1945, the annual meeting of the M.G.H. Nurses' Alumnae Association, Inc., was held in the Walcott House classroom. Following the business meeting, officers were elected. Miss Margaret Dieter (1916) succeeded Miss Marjorie Stimson (1921) as President.

We are glad to welcome Miss Dieter back.

Below is a copy of her message to the Massachusetts State Nurses Association early in 1945.

"Our country at the beginning of this new year is calling upon nurses as never before. No need is more urgent that that of nurses for the armed forces. Now, we are facing an unprecedented situation,—a bill introduced into Congress to draft nurses. Whatever our opinions, let us not act hastily. Let us have pride that we are the one group of women the government must have for the successful prosecution of the war. Much as we have given, let us resolve to give more. We believe that Massachusetts can meet its quotas without a draft. It will take further work and sacrifice on the part of many of us to achieve this goal, but we believe that the faith and the courage and the will is still present with Massachusetts nurses, of whom we have been so proud in the past, and of whom we shall be still prouder in the days to come."

MARGARET DIETER.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Annual Report of Treasurer for the Year 1944

Balance in the State St. Trust Co.	\$115.98	
On hand	1.28	117.26
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Receipts during 1944		
Membership dues		
Resident	1819.25	
Associate	304.50	
Non Resident	1341.75,	3465.50
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Miscellaneous Income	9.10	
Withdrawn from Savings	250.00	3724.60
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	Total	3841.86

Disbursements during 1944

Quarterly Magazine		755.41
Other Printing		152.91
Monthly Meetings		18.18
Dues Paid District No. 5		1021.25
Annual Contributions		
Robb Fund	25.00	
McIsaac Fund	25.00	
McCrae Fund	50.00	
N.L.N.E.	50.00	
School of Nursing		
M.G.H.	100.00	
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		250.00
Gifts and Flowers		90.17
Postage and Stationery		93.85
Deposit in Boston Federal Savings		
and Loan Assoc.		120.00
Exchange and Charge on Checks		23.31
Service Flag		24.50
Auditor (McCrae and Alumnae Books)		40.00
Bonding of the Treasurer		12.50
Treasurer		
Salary	\$395.15	
Tax	104.85	
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		500.00
Miscellaneous		1.40
	Total Disbursements	\$3103.48
Balance in the State St. Trust Co. Jan. 1, 1945		<hr/>
		\$738.38

Deposits in Savings Accounts

Boston Federal Savings and Loan Association	\$1412.32
Franklin Savings Bank	276.13
Boston Five Cent Savings	1260.90
Provident Institution for Savings	1122.32
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	Total \$4071.67

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Lyons Twomey, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND

Annual Report, January, 1945

Principal	91,257.06	
Interest	3,044.43	
Franklin Savings Bank	3,522.93	
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ANNABELLA McCRAE LOAN FUND

Annual Report, 1944

in account with
Helene G. Lee, Treasurer

Balance brought forward—January 1, 1944		\$1,034.39
Receipts—Repayments on Loans:		
Users, Nos. 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37	902.06	
Interest, Bank & Loans	37.16	
Contribution (Alum. Asso.)	50.00	989.22
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Disbursement—To User No. 38	100.00	
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Balance on hand, December 31, 1944		\$1,923.61
(Deposited, Franklin Savings Bank, Boston)		
Analysis of Fund:		
Cash in Bank	1923.61	
Loans outstanding	1404.13	
	<hr/>	\$3,327.74

The Annabella McCrae Loan Fund Committee has had only one request for a loan the past year. This is probably due to the availability of Federal Scholarships which have given assistance to many of our alumnae.

We begin the year with \$1,034.39. During the year we have received from

1. repayments	\$902.06	
2. Interest	37.16	
3. from Alumnae Assoc.	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$989.22

One loan of \$100 has been granted.

Our total fund available at the end of the year—\$1,923.61.

We still have outstanding loans of \$1,404.13.

The Committee has discussed the advisability of using some of this money to purchase a war bond, feeling that for the duration of the war we shall not have the calls for loans that are to be expected in more normal times. We present this possibility not as a recommendation, but as a subject of discussion and advice from the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Crotty

Helene Lee

Ruth Sleeper

Helen Wood, Chairman

January 30, 1945.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION INC. FOR THE YEAR 1944

Again this year the program committee has been most fortunate in receiving the cooperation of the members of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association and the Hospital Staff in order to plan the program for the year 1944. The committee extends its grateful appreciation to all who contributed. The program consisted of the following:

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| January | Discussion of the policy of admitting colored students to the School of Nursing by Miss Sally Johnson. |
| February | Mrs. Etta M. Hazard told of her trip to the Orient on the "Gripsholm." |
| March | An illustrated lecture on "War and the Social Hygiene Program" by Mrs. Evangeline Morris, Assistant Professor of Public Health Nursing at Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts. |
| April | Illustrated lecture on The Research Burn Project carried on at Massachusetts General Hospital by Dr. Oliver Cope who represented the National War Council for Research on Burns and Infections. |
| October | Doctor Reginald Smithwick spoke on his recent work on the sympathectomy operation—surgical treatment for hypertension. |

- November** Doctor John Graham, Dr. Smithwick's assistant followed up Dr. Smithwick's lecture by discussing the nursing care of the patients who have had sympathectomy operation. Dr. Graham was assisted by Miss Olive Dingle, technical, and Miss Helen French, Supervisor.
- December** Candlelight Service.

The expenses included Elevator Boy 3 times at \$1.50 \$4.50

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Scherer Andrews and
Jesse Stewart
Co-chairman of the
Program Committee.

Report of Membership for 1944

	Total	New
Resident Members	407	29
Non-resident Members	616	32
Associate Members	140	4
	<hr/> 1157	<hr/> 65

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth O'Laughlin, Chairman

Report of the Social Service Committee for the Year 1944

Miss Ruth Faressey informed us of the needs of Miss Heller and Miss Revina who are working in occupied France. Through her help we are sending much needed shoes, stockings, uniforms and caps.

We have tried to visit the sick as often as possible.

At Christmas a few needy members were remembered with small checks and one member in the hospital at the time, was sent a box from S. S. Pierce containing an assortment of candies, cookies, fruits, etc.

Expense Account:—

Flowers and Gifts	\$52.02
Christmas Checks	10.00
Misses Heller and Ravina	20.00
	<hr/> \$82.02

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine F. Carleton, Chairman.

Annual Report of the Hospitality Committee

My duties as Chairman were not assumed until October 1944, so my report is brief. No definite arrangements were made for continuing to serve refreshments following the monthly meetings, as the budget had not allowed for this expense for the year. It was, however, suggested that when possible this policy would be continued as a number of the members felt this social hour was enjoyed. Refreshments were served at the first Fall meeting. At both the October and November meetings members of the committee were stationed at the Information Desk to direct those attending.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Hazard, Chairman.

Members of the Senior Class were guests of the M.G.H. Nurses' Alumnae Association, Inc., at its meeting on Tuesday, February 27, 1945. Dr. Harold Thomas, a graduate assistant in the X-ray Department gave a vivid account of his experiences in occupied China and the internment camp. Dr. Thomas served as director of a Chinese-American Hospital and was later interned by the Japanese at Shanghai. His daughter, Margaret Grant Thomas, will be remembered as a member of the Class of 1943.

The Army and Navy Must Have Nurses Now

WAR DEPARTMENT REQUESTS DRAFT OF NURSES

The draft of nurses for military service is being urged by the War Department because:

Sixteen-thousand more graduate registered nurses must be procured immediately for the Army to care for the war's casualties whose number is increasing with each grim day of fighting.

Current¹ strength of the Army Nurse Corps is 44,000 of whom 71 per cent are serving overseas.

Daily number of casualties cared for in all Army Hospitals

¹February 13, 1945. Based on statement by Under-Secretary of War, Robert P. Patterson.

is a military secret. Approximately 1,100 wounded, however, are admitted each day to Army installations in this country. They represent chiefly only those wounded who cannot hope to return to active service within a period of three months. Most of the other casualties are cared for in Army hospitals overseas.

Engagements

Ruth Lucinda Murray (1943) to Dr. George C. Gibson of Brockton, Massachusetts.

Dorothy May McCullouch (1944) A.N.C. to William Black, U.S.N.R.

Lt. Elsie G. Renn (1941) A.N.C. to Capt. Edward C. McGinley of Morrisville, Pennsylvania.

Marjorie Norcross (1945) to Lt. Carl Robert Paulson, U.S.A. of Brockton, Massachusetts.

Marriages

Gertrude J. Dolan (1936) to Lt. Commander William J. McClusky, on August 22, 1944, at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

Jeanne Digman Parant (1943) to Ensign Richard Morris Steer, U.S.N.R. on September 12, 1944, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Seattle, Washington. Ensign and Mrs. Steer will make their home at 41 Sears Avenue, Melrose Highlands, Massachusetts.

Edith Jane Butcher (1941) to Lt. E. B. Patterson, in Naples, on September 28, 1944. Lt. and Mrs. Patterson enjoyed a two weeks honeymoon on the Isle of Capri, visited Rome, Pisa, and France.

Dorothy Anne Browne (1942) to Sgt. Joseph George O'Connor, U.S.A. on Monday, December 4, 1944, at St. Mary's Church, Dedham, Massachusetts.

Barbara Marien Parsons (1943) to Lt. James Walter McGary, U.S.C.G. on Wednesday, December 20, 1944, at Broadway Congregational Church, New York City, New York.

Helene Cousins Knights (1938) to Captain George Stephens, M.A.C. on Monday, January 8, 1945 in England.

Grace Emogene Flynn (1936) to Mr. Ernest Hartley Garron on January 12, 1945 at Mount Vernon Chapel, Boston, Massachusetts.

Ruth W. Hale (1932) to Lt. Donald Metcalf, U.S.N. on January 17, 1945 in Boston, Massachusetts.

Shirley Janice Mansfield (1943) to Lt. John Clarence Creasy, U.S.N.R. at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Wakefield, Massachusetts, on January 28, 1945.

Lt. Dorothy E. Ayer (1940) to Lt. Charles L. Guthrie, Jr., of Petersburg, Virginia, on January 28, 1945, in Leghorn, Italy.

Martha Lothrop Addison (1944) to Mr. Samuel Norman McCain, Jr., on Saturday, February 3, 1945, in the Chantry of Grace Church, New York.

Olive E. Wilkinson (1931) to Mr. Elmer McNeil in Pawtucket, Rhode Island on February 14, 1945.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond V. Butterfield (Virginia Ada Plumley, 1940) announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Rae, on September 3, 1944 in New Haven, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Armstrong (Lucy L. Church, 1935) announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Lynne, on September 20, 1944.

Commander and Mrs. Thomas J. Sweeney (Virginia Walker, 1936) announce the birth of their second daughter, Anne Louise, on October 7, 1944, in Rockland, Maine.

Dr. and Mrs. Peter A. Cole (Margaret E. Matzek, 1929) announce the birth of their third daughter, Sharon, on October 25, 1944, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In, Boston, Massachusetts.

Sargent and Mrs. Adolph H. Cieslok (Yvonne Goethel, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Karl James, on December 4, 1944, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nason (Marie G. Giardina, 1934) announce the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Marie, on December 9, 1944, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Johnson (Nancy Forbes, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Frank Albert, Jr., on December 22, 1944, in Barcelona, Venezuela.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Hayes, Jr., (Claire H. Moran, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Thomas Joseph, on January 1, 1945. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes live at 135 Lovely Street, Unionville, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles William Brown (Laura McIlvana, 1930) announce the birth of a son on January 30, 1945, at the Baker Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Walen (Elizabeth R. Benson, 1937) announce the birth of their second son, Kimball Frederick, on February 5, 1945, at the Community Memorial Hospital, Ayer, Massachusetts. Mr. Walen is on the faculty of the Groton School.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett P. Merrow, Jr. (Muriel Rollins, 1930) announce the birth of a daughter, Paula Ann, on March 12, 1945, at the Clover Hill Hospital, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beal (Margaret Grant Thomas, 1943) announce the birth of a son, Edward Richardson, in January at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

M. G. H. Caps

Purchase from Miss Eunice Bradstreet, 427 East High St., Manchester, N. H. Mail order 6 for \$2.75, 3 for \$1.50 postpaid. Caps may also be purchased from Miss Hannah M. Wood, 423 East 64th Street, Apt. 47, 2nd Stairway, New York City, and Mrs. Catherine Britt, 175 Larch Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 40 cents each.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Walter E. Morris (Edith B. MacPeake, 1901) died suddenly last September at her home in St. John, New Brunswick.

DR. HUGH WILLIAMS

In the death of Dr. Hugh Williams, on February 22, 1945, Boston lost a distinguished surgeon and a rare personality. He was born in Brookline on June 29, 1872, the son of Moses and Martha Williams. He prepared for college at the Nichols School in Boston, received his A.B. from Harvard in 1894, and M.D., *cum laude*, from the Harvard Medical School in 1898. He was a surgical intern at the Massachusetts General Hospital during 1898 and 1899. In 1903 he was appointed Out-Patient Surgeon at that Hospital, passing through grades of Assistant Visiting and Associate Visiting Surgeon, to Visiting Surgeon in 1919. In 1929, he retired to the Consulting Staff. He was also, for many years, on the staffs of hospitals in Natick, Gardner, and Peabody, Massachusetts, and Brattleboro, Vermont.

For five years, Dr. Williams was the assistant of that master surgeon, Maurice H. Richardson; he proved an apt pupil and before long rivalled the master in surgical technique and skill. In 1905, he started in private practice on his own account and very early acquired a large and distinguished clientele which constantly grew until he was forced to retire because of ill health in 1929.

Hugh Williams was not a serious student in college, but the lighthearted, care free Harvard student of the nineties vanished when he entered the Medical School. There was an awakening; his intense interest was aroused, and he worked hard and intelligently. But it was in the hospital that he really came into his own; he loved the clinical work and excelled in it, and the patients loved him.

Throughout Dr. Williams' career, his outstanding characteristic was his intense personal devotion to the welfare of each and every patient, rich and poor alike. As an operating surgeon his technique was unexcelled in his day. His skill; dexterity, and speed were astonishing and uneering. There were no lost

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motions and he never seemed to hurry. His surgical judgment was sound; he had, to a high degree, surgical intuition and diagnostic acumen. His greatest achievements were, perhaps, in biliary surgery to which he made important and original contributions. He was a member of all the important national and local surgical societies, but he never read papers or made a speech. He disliked publicity. His ambition was solely clinical, to excel in operating and to get his patients well.

Dr. Williams, like so many doctors, was very fond of the out-of-doors. He was a lover of nature and a sportsman in the best sense of the word. He was an expert gunner in the field and brush, as well as at the trap, shooting equally well from either shoulder. In skeet shooting he was a champion, and even after three score years and ten and in spite of crippling arthritis, could hold his own with the younger experts.

For many years Dr. Williams was totally incapacitated by serious illness and lived in complete retirement. During the last three years he recovered sufficiently to resume occasional trap shooting and tend his garden. He was interested in art and had a notable collection of paintings and antique clocks. He bred canaries and grew flowers. He never married. He had a host of friends whom he attracted without effort. During his last illness he attained a philosophical resignation and serenity which sustained his spirit through many painful weeks and months.

There are many persons in this community in all walks of life who will long remember with gratitude the professional skill and personal charm of Dr. Hugh Williams.

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DR. CHARLES LAWRENCE

Dr. Charles Henry Lawrence died on March 13, 1945, at his home in Brookline. Many of the older graduates will remember that Dr. Lawrence served as house officer on the West Medical Service from 1908 to 1910 and later as Assistant Visiting Physician from 1912-1914.

Mrs. Lawrence (Meriam Williams) a graduate of the Children's Hospital, Boston, was head nurse on the Children's Ward.

+ + **NEWS** + +

Hazel A. Goff (1917) one of the distinguished graduates of the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing, has been appointed Director of the School of Nursing in Lisbon by the Portuguese Ministry of Education. Miss Goff has been Director of the School of Nursing at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, since 1940.

Marion C. Woodbury (1920) is Acting Director of Nurses at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, replacing Miss Goff.

After twelve years of continuous duty as Director of the School of Nursing of the Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital, Gardner, Massachusetts, Mary Jane MacKay (1911) has resigned and is enjoying her freedom at her sister's home in Needham, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Carlton P. Chadbourne (Helen V. Oakes, 1932) has seen three years of active overseas duty in New Guinea, and the Philippines. She has received two Oak Clusters for outstanding achievement and wears the Pacific theatre ribbon with two stars. Capt. Chadbourne, Assistant Chief Nurse of the Surgeons' Unit is now at Army Headquarters in the Philippines.

Miss Harriet Wedgwood (1919) has received a long and interesting letter from Hilda Fletcher (1918) who returned to England in the early 20's to finish a course in Bedford College. She is doing town and rural Public Health Nursing, including midwifery, for the Essex County Nursing Association. Because Miss Fletcher has been unable to send money out of the country, her Alumnae dues have lapsed and she has been without news of her Alma Mater which she has greatly missed. Her address is Mole Hill Green, Bishops Stortford, Herts, England.

Betty Dumaine (1926) Red Cross Field Supervisor for all the Red Cross Clubs in India, returned home in February after 18 interesting months. Before leaving India, she made a tour of the entire China-Burma-India front and attended the opening of Pick's Pike, the new Burma road.

Hazel M. Walker (1924) is Superintendent of Nurses at the Hahnemann Hospital, Worcester, Massachusetts, succeeding Mrs. Mildred Foster Knight (1936).

Mrs. Pergrouhie Markar (Pergrouhie H. Kavaljian, 1914) of 729 Clinton Avenue, Fresno, California, is busy doing evening special duty nursing while her two sons are in Service. Capt. Vaughn Markar is 23 years old and armament squadron officer with the 15th Air Force in Italy. He has seen service in Washington, Nebraska, South Carolina, New York, Florida, Brazil and North Africa. Her second son, Sgt. Berj Markar, is an instructor in Transportation and Communication in Texas. Previous to this assignment he had seen nine months service in Hawaii, following the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Louise S. Zutter (1913) is Assistant Nurse in Charge and Alice M. Westcott (1913) is a General Staff Nurse, at the Benvenue Infirmary, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Mrs. Henry Fink (Bertha L. Wheeler, 1915) of Detroit, Michigan, writes that her three sons are in active service. 2nd Lt. Henry Fink, Jr., is a Marine Fighter Pilot in the Pacific theatre of war. Sgt. Albert Fink, is in the Army Medical Corps with an Anti-aircraft Artillery with the First Army. Cpl. Robert Fink, is with the Marines. A radio gunner on an armored amphibian tank which landed on Saipan Island last April. Her daughter, Barbara, graduated from High School in January and hopes to enter Simmons College for the 5 year course in nursing.

Rose A. Munger (1919) is head nurse in the dispensary of the Cleveland Tractor Company, Cleveland, Ohio and is enjoying her work.

Congratulations are in order for Mrs. Eleanor P. Clark (1918) who announces the birth of her first grand-daughter, Susan, on January 3, 1945, to Lt. (j.g.) and Mrs. Admont Gulick Clark.

Mrs. Walter T. Harwood (Cora E. Ellis, 1906) of Hudson, New Hampshire, spent a few days in the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary having treatment for an acute eye condition. She made a good recovery. She was also nursing a fractured left wrist, received when she was thrown from a sleigh.

Mrs. William Farrand (Ellen Litchman, 1928) is now Night Supervisor at the Corwin Hospital in Pueblo, Colorado.

Alice Barnard Van Arman (1916) has been elected President of the Greater Boston Branch of Industrial Nurses for the year 1945.

Anna M. Taylor (1928) Assistant Editor of the American Journal of Nursing, spent Christmas with her family in Youngstown, Ohio.

Nora D. Morris (1920) is doing school nursing with the Valesia County Health Department in Deland, Florida. This includes five City schools, four for white children and one for colored children, about 1500 children, with supervision as well of home conditions.

Ellwynne M. Vreeland (1934) is Assistant Director of the Russell Sage School of Nursing, Troy, New York.

Mrs. Edward W. Stimpson (Ella A. Wilkinson, 1901) sends greetings to her friends and classmates from Bellingham, Washington.

Mrs. Titus S. Lapp (Agnes Peltz, 1922) of 1504 Locust Street, Sterling, Illinois, has been appointed Director of the Sterling Public Hospital School of Nursing.

Mrs. T. Banford Jones (Josephine Ruhfel, 1926) of 199 Carington Street, Rochester, 7, New York, writes that her husband is in charge of surgery in a large General Hospital in England and has had the honor of entertaining Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth at a "Tea" when she visited the hospital.

Mrs. Daniel E. Whelton (Mary A. Clark, 1923) was one of the many nurses who responded to the call for nurses following the circus fire in Hartford, Connecticut.

Barbara Williams (1920) and A. Ethel Brooks (1926) are having a leave of absence from their hospital duties, following surgery. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Among the many Christmas cards which Miss McCrae received was one from Mrs. Webster H. Carney (Alice M. Whitehead, 1914) from Neosho, Missouri. Mrs. Carney writes that with help very scarce, she has to put on rubber boots and help her husband in their fish hatchery. Before the war their privately stocked pool was well patronized by lovers of rod and reel.

Marion Llewella Bancroft (1941) is engaged in full time Christian work in San Diego, California with the "Navigators," a Christian organization for Service men and women. Her work is especially with the Nurses, Waves and Women Marines.

Minnie S. Hollingsworth (1897) writes that she is surrounded by Army and Navy men who are enjoying their convalescence by doing much sight-seeing, visiting "Chimney Rock," "Jump Off Mountain," "Biltmore Estate," the home of the late George W. Vanderbilt, built in 1895, Mrs. Jack Gardner's Italian Palace and the Cherokee Indian Reservation in the National Smokey Mountain Park. Miss Hollingsworth's friend and classmate, Ruth P. Williams (1897) is living at Murmuring Pine Lodge, Big Bear City, California.

A delightful "Tea" was given in the Nurses' Sitting-Room of the Phillips House on the afternoon of March 14th, in honor of Lt. Margaret Nelson, A.N.C. (1933) who was home on leave after four years of overseas duty. She is with the 15th Evacuation Hospital in Italy.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Timothy J. Sullivan (Nellie M. Hart, 1900) for the death of her husband on January 1, 1945, in Winthrop, Massachusetts.

Mrs. John Dunaway (Rosa Shayebe, 1915) is expecting her husband home from his duties in Liberia next May. Her son, Bill, is on the Italian front, and Alder is at sea.

Many of the hospital family attended the formal opening of the "Herrick House" at 27 Commonwealth Avenue, on the twenty-sixth of January. The spacious rooms were most attractive with pastel painted walls and beautiful chintz draperies. This house is for the use of the Student Dietitians.

On February 7, 1945, Miss Josephine E. Thurlow (1909) Emergency Administrator of Hospitals, assumed her duties at the Ashtabula General Hospital, Ashtabula, Ohio.

Mrs. Bristow A. Warley (Lillian R. Fletcher, 1935) supervisor of stewardesses at the Northeast Airlines was guest speaker at the evening group of the Women's Guild of Old South Church, Copley Square, on March 9, 1945. Mrs. Warley was most entertaining. She has to her credit, hundreds of thousands of air miles across the country.

We watch and wait with interest, the findings of the five Boston doctors who are seeking a clue to a fatal bug in the War Zone. High among the snow-capped Italian mountains they have established the Army's newest mobile research laboratory. Lt. Col. Tracy B. Mallory, former M.G.H. Chief Pathologist; Lt.

Col. Fiorindo A. Simeone, a member of the M.G.H. Surgical Staff; Lt. Col. Harry K. Beecher, former Chief Anesthetist at M.G.H.; Capt. Charles H. Burnett, M.G.H. Medical Resident; and Lt. Col. Eugene E. Sullivan, a classmate of Lt. Col. Simeone at Harvard, are doing outstanding work on the Fifth Army front.

In January, a memorial service was held in Milford, Massachusetts, for Frederick Luby, Jr., brother of Lillian L. Luby (1940) who was killed in action. We extend our sincere sympathy to the entire family.

Wounded men returning from European battlefronts receive expert care and treatment in the 162nd General Hospital in England from 2nd Lt. Vellamo Ruotsala, A.N.C., of 9 Parker Street, Maynard, Massachusetts, in an orthopedic surgical ward. Lt. Ruotsala said that military nursing is very different from civilian work because of the different type of wounds encountered. She said "The patients are in excellent condition when they arrive here because those front-line medics do a wonderful job." Lt. Ruotsala (Vellamo Alho) was graduated from the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing in Boston in 1932.

Marie Macey (1942) Bergman, was student assistant in the chemistry course at Teachers' College, Columbia University, during the Fall Semester.

Jane Dexter (1938) Rosenow, with Joan, Peter and Philip, spent last summer at Milton. Jane lent a hand at the Phillips House and hopes to do so again this coming summer.

Polly Myers (1939) Godfrey, had a grand Summer and Fall on a farm in Missouri. She says she enjoyed gardening, filling the cellar with the harvest and the final touch, butchering, which is certainly a grand precaution against meat shortages. She plans to help doing nursing at Cap Crowder during the Winter months.

Ebba Rudine (1941) Ray, says she is very active keeping up with her young son, Stratton Ray. She, Eleanor Palmer (1940) and Natalie Middleton (1939) Blakeley represent the M.G.H. in Middletown, Connecticut.

Clarissa Peters (1937) Allen, in Anchorage, Alaska, is getting her initiation into all kinds of winter sports but says she loves it.

Lucile Theroux (1938) Donahue finds that her sons, Pat 2 and Mike 1 keep her busy but also very happy.

NATIONAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR WAR SERVICE
1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.
November, 1944

The Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing was among the nursing schools represented, through one of its alumnae, on the college counseling staff sponsored for a second year by the National Nursing Council for War Service and the U. S. Public Health Service, which administers the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps.

Miss Eugenie De Armit, class of 1934, and since her graduation a staff member of the Visiting Nurse Association of Boston, was among the eighteen graduate nurses selected to visit 400 universities, colleges and junior colleges this fall to present to women undergraduates the opportunities open to them in the fields of nursing education and administration, psychiatric nursing, public health nursing and other specialities.

Miss De Armit, who holds the Bachelor of Science degree in public health nursing from Simmons College and has since completed post-graduate courses in supervision and in industrial nursing there, obtained a month's leave of absence from her duties as district supervisor of the Visiting Nurse Association in order to undertake visits to eighteen campuses in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, Michigan and Maine during October. On these visits she addressed college audiences totalling approximately 1500 students, held group and individual conferences for over 100 undergraduates and interviewed some forty administrators and faculty members. (Figures incomplete).

In her reports from the field, Miss De Armit makes it clear that much "good nursing material" in the colleges still remains untapped; that educators in increasing numbers now look upon nursing as "an excellent profession for women with college background"; that vocational guidance personnel in the colleges are better informed on nursing than ever before; that faculty members, are eager for information on nursing specialties and on educational developments in the field of nursing. Only occasionally did she encounter the attitude, more frequently met last year, that the profession had little to offer college women, and even then administrators displayed such an attitude seemed open to conviction.

Miss De Armit travelled in the gray and scarlet uniform of the Cadet Nurse Corps with the Nurse Education sleeve patch. She was able to correct the erroneous impression, still prevailing on some mid-western campuses, that the Corps benefits were designed primarily for students unable to finance a college education and were limited to subsidizing nursing instruction at the undergraduate level.

Her month's tour has been strenuous but rewarding.

Flora Colson (1940) Crocker, has returned to Maine which she thinks is a pretty good place for daughter Debbie to do her growing until Harvey returns from the Pacific area.

Ensign Kitty Armstrong (1929) enjoyed Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with all the responsibilities and privileges while we were having plenty of Winter.

In memory of Lillian Dobie Balboni (1910) a Memorial Fund has been established at the Hospital by Dr. Gerardo M. Balboni and friends. The fund has now reached over Ten Thousand Dollars and is to be used for a free bed or for any other purpose the Trustees may decide upon.

Mrs. Joseph Andrews (Marie Scherer, 1936) Surgical Supervisor, is conducting part of a post-graduate course in orthopedics at Boston University in cooperation with Margaret Arey (1931) orthopedic consultant in the state Health Department.

Miss Elizabeth O'Loughlin (1943) former head nurse on Ward 10, has been awarded a Bolton scholarship for postgraduate study. She is now taking an advanced course in pediatrics at Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York.

On March 16, 1945, the Army Transportation Corps, commissioned the Louis A. Milne, the largest and newest hospital ship. She has a capacity for 966 beds and was converted by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation at a cost of seven million dollars. Several from the hospital visited her when she was open for inspection at Commonwealth Pier. Lt. Jean Roberts, A.N.C. (1943) was one of the nurses aboard.

Commander and Mrs. B. Perry Collins (Marjorie A. Chambers, 1920) of Milton, Massachusetts, announce the marriage of their daughter, Marjorie, to Lt. Samuel Mathews Nichols, U.S.A.A.F. of Wilmington, North Carolina, now stationed at San Antonio, Texas.

Helen O'Dea (1913) has enjoyed the sunshine of Florida all Winter. She has been the resident nurse at the Boca Raton Club near Delray Beach.

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Come, O Creator Spirit blest!
And in our souls take up Thy rest;
Come, with Thy grace and heavenly aid,
To fill our hearts which Thou hast made.

Kindle our senses from above,
And make our hearts o'erflow with love;
With patience firm, and virtue high,
The weakness of our flesh supply.

Far from us drive the foe we dread,
And grant us Thy true peace instead;
So shall we not, with Thee for guide,
Turn from the path of life aside.

M. G. H. GET-TOGETHER IN HOLDEN, MASSACHUSETTS

Although the weather on May 10th was about as bad as it could be for a party, with a driving wind and pelting rain, there were nineteen of us who met at Adelaide LeLong Dea's in the late afternoon and had a joyous M.G.H. reunion.

The hostesses arranged things beautifully. The main part of the supper was at Adelaide's and then about 7 P.M. we all piled into the available cars and drove the two blocks to Harriet Laird's house for dessert. Harriet's son Billy, about 12 years old, and a boy scout, was on hand as the man of the family to welcome us with great charm and pose.

The supper was more than ample. Hot dogs, rolls, stuffed olives, piccalilli, potato chips, salad, and coffee followed by home-made pineapple ice, cake, cookies, mints and nuts at Harriet's. My main difficulty is that I cannot talk and eat, and of course I had to talk, so came out last!

We decided to organize as the Worcester County M.G.H. Alumnae Club and Miss Erna Kuhn (1914) of Hahnemann was made President, Hazel Walker (1924), Secretary and Abigail Norris (1934) Treasurer.

It was a great joy to have so many 1918 people there.
Eleanor F. Clark, 1918

Greetings to Miss McCrae from the M.G.H. Get-Together in Holden, Massachusetts on May 10, 1945:

Erna M. Kuhn (1914) Superintendent, Hahnemann Hospital.
Ruth Crowell Jones (1918) Proof reader in Clinton, Massachusetts. Mrs. Jones is now a widow and has one son. She is still an R.N. though inactive.

Georgia Cadman Chase (1906) Home Nursing and Spencer Corsetiere, North Brookfield, Massachusetts.

Hazel M. Walker (1924) Superintendent, Worcester Hahnemann Hospital School of Nursing.

Eleanor Mitchell Murphy (1918) at home in Clinton, Massachusetts. Mrs. Murphy has 3 children: Ensign Martin Murphy, U.S.N.R. Pacific, Eleanor M. Murphy, Simmons School of Nursing, John Murphy, Senior at Clinton High School.

Dorothy Lester Warren (1918) now at 15 Vassar Street, Worcester, has lived in India the past 7 years. Two sons—one overseas—one in Tufts Medical School. Joined St. John's Ambulance Brigade in India. Organized 3 day leave center for service boys and girls.

Eleanor Fowle Clark (1918). Mrs. Clark has 3 sons, one of

whom is in the Coast Guard, and a grand-daughter, Susan Clark, age 4 months. Eleanor is doing private duty. Her address is 108 Lincoln Street, Worcester.

Doris A. Britton (1925) Night Supervisor at Gardner State Hospital.

Sylvia Fay Gagnu (1917) Supervisor O.P.D. Memorial Hospital, Worcester. At night she is housekeeper in her home in Auburn, Massachusetts. She is also Secretary to Acting Chief anesthetist at Memorial Hospital and in her spare moments sells insurance for the John Hancock Life Insurance Company.

Emma A. Mortimer (1904) Clinton Hospital, Clinton, Massachusetts.

Mabel Paquette Janda (1937) 29 Benefit Street, Clinton, Massachusetts. Mrs. Janda has one son, Noel, age 1 year.

Lucille Lyons Taylor (1936) at Home in Gardner, Massachusetts, instructing 1st aid and home nursing classes. Mrs. Taylor has one daughter, Martha-Jane, age 3 years.

Margaret Perham Kinnear (1934) at home 13 Elm Street, Gardner, with her husband and 3 year old son.

Catharine Tracey Taylor (1939) Assistant Director of Nurses at the City Hospital in Worcester.

Catherine Philbin (1932) at home in Westfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Philbin is not doing any active nursing.

Mary Driscoll (1934) Whitinsville, Massachusetts, is doing Public Health Nursing in Whitinsville.

Abigail Norris (1934) Surgery Supervisor in the Memorial Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Harriet Harris Laird (1928) Phillips Road, Holden, Massachusetts. What am I doing? My young son said "Mom-mie will you stay still long enough so I can ask you a question?"

Adelaide LeLong Dea (1918) at home, Highland Street, Holden with an invalid mother and 2 children.

Naomi Adams Cunningham (1913) Bolton, Massachusetts. An office nures.

We all missed you

LETTER FROM DOCTOR ENGELBACH

Lt. Colonel Albert G. Engelbach, M.C., is Commanding Officer of a Station Hospital in England. Below are excerpts from a letter written by him to the Cambridge Hospital.

From Doctor Engelbach's letter written May 12, 1945.

"Even though I was far from Cambridge Hospital on this Florence Nightingale's birthday and National Hospital Day, I

did celebrate the occasion in a manner which I shall long remember.

"The birthday was memorialized by the attendance at her graveside of representative nurses of the Army Nurse Corps, one each from each state and one from the District of Columbia. In addition to these there were about 150 additional folks present, Nurses and Officers of the U. S. Army Medical Corps.

"The setting, the parish church and burial ground of Wellow, near Romsey, Hampshire, England, an old, venerable, well kept church and the adjacent burial grounds.

"About the grave of Florence Nightingale the selected nurses heard the program which I am enclosing and then placing the bouquets of flowers on the grave. The ceremony was simple, honest, and aweinspiring. Mother Nature helped the occasion by presenting a beautiful day, such as we might see in New England in late June, sun bright and hot, sky blue, with a few white clouds and generally a most peaceful surrounding.

"I could not help being impressed by the thoughts of the work which these representative nurses had been doing the past year, caring for the wounded of this fighting and then the incongruity of situations struck me—such peace and quiet in the midst of such a tremulous world.

"Afterward we visited Florence Nightingale's home. This did not impress me more than any well kept home in England. Perhaps the ceremony made the impression which is cast to stay."

Mary E. Shepard, R.N., Prin. School of Nursing

Program for Florence Nightingale Ceremony

12 May 1945, 1400 Hours

Invocation	Prayer by the Chaplain of 140th General Hospital, U. S. Army, (Captain V. V. Wortman).
Opening Remarks	Tribute to Florence Nightingale by Major Dorothy L. Hufcut, U. S. Army Nurse Corps.
Remarks on ANC in this War	Tribute to ANC by Colonel Leonard D. Heaton, U. S. Army Medical Corps. (Commanding Officer, 802D Hospital Center).
Flower Ceremony	U. S. Army Nurses from 48 States and the District of Columbia place flowers on Florence Nightingale's Grave.
Benediction	Blessing by the Reverend R. J. A. Simmons, Vicar of Wellow Church.

Photographs will be taken after the ceremony of the Nurses from the 48 States and the District of Columbia at the Grave.

Visit will be made to the Interior of the Church.

Visit to Embley Park (Florence Nightingale's Home) for those who so desire.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS REPRINTED FROM THE
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL "NEWS"

OF MAY, 1945

THE WOMEN

The women—God bless them!—how could we do without them? We couldn't, of course. Yet I was reminded yesterday, while reading an article in the *New York Times* on the late Susan B. Anthony (first militant suffragette in America), of how women have had to fight for everything in the way of equal rights and opportunities which they have extracted from their self-styled lords and masters.

So it has been in medicine. Women are in medicine (and to stay), but to get there they have had to struggle against the greatest male conservatism to be found in any profession.

What the women physicians on our staff are doing for us during this war crisis came home to me sharply not long ago when two of the leaders asked if they might use the Medical Staff Room for a tea for Massachusetts General Hospital lady doctors. The request made me conscious, as never before, of how many there are—over twenty-five—and of their contribution to our professional work. This realization carried me into a bit of research on the subject, and Miss Holbrook, our archivist, has been good enough to furnish me with some illuminating data.

The first woman on the staff appears to have been Loretta J. Cummins, who was appointed Assistant in Dermatology in 1916. She served for many years on the active staff and now is a member of the Board of Consultation. Mary Wright of the Children's Medical Service was the first woman on the house staff, making that service clearly the pioneer in admitting women. Marian W. Ropes was the first woman resident on the Medical Service. She was appointed to that office in 1932, has been on the staff ever since, and has now reached the grade of Associate Physician. She is doing her trick of ward visiting, and is also taking full charge of the arthritis studies during the absence on military duty of Colonel Walter Bauer. The first woman intern on the Medical Service was Margaret S. Shipley, East Medical 1943.

It is interesting, in this connection, that the Harvard Medical School now admits women. In April 1943, its forward-looking Faculty made the recommendation that women be admitted, but the Corporation vetoed it. A year later, in June 1944, the Faculty repeated its recommendation and this time the Corporation accepted it. Now nine women have been admitted as medical students.

There are those who bewail this female intrusion into an erstwhile strictly male purlieu; but most of us, I think, are grateful for the help our women physicians have given us and place a high value on their contribution.

J. H. M.

THE NURSES BEHIND THE ARMY NURSE

Behind the nurse who goes to war
Stands firm a patriotic corps
Of nurses giving strength and time
To serve home folks and hold the line
Of health for every vale and town.
They thought they'd laid that burden down
And put their uniforms away
But now at dawn of every day
They sally forth and make it plain
They're right back on the job again!

HOW THEY "DUNNIT"

Sixty-three per cent of the nurses serving with the armed forces as of July 1944, had been drawn from the institutional nursing field. Mostly, they came from non-federal civilian hospitals, which in 1944 admitted close to one-half million more patients than in 1943.

How did the hospitals carry on despite so great a loss of nurses?

The valiant services of thousands of nurses on hospital staffs, of student nurses, of nurses aides and other volunteers, as well as the superb response of inactive nurses to wartime needs, are responsible for the amazing volume of service hospitals have provided in these critical times.

Since Pearl Harbor, thousands of hours of nursing service have daily been given to hospitals throughout the country by nurses who had withdrawn from active nursing because of mar-

riage and civic or home responsibilities. Most of them serve on part time schedules, some working evenings; some nights; some odd hours of the day. Many are well past 60 years of age and have been inactive in nursing for five, ten and fifteen or more years.

Such large scale employment of part time nurses has necessitated major adjustments in administrative practices within the hospitals. Much credit goes to directors of nursing services who by and large, have borne the brunt of wartime pressures in the hospitals, yet have met demands with vision and ingenuity. Not only have they taken the initiative in appealing to inactive nurses to return to active service, but they have adjusted hour schedules and other long established practices to keep them coming back.

Nursing Information Bureau of the
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CHARLES RIVER FLEET READY FOR SAILING SEASON

Boston welcomes again this spring the gay sailing craft, that add to the picturesqueness of the Charles River, when the Community Sailing program opened on May 1st.

The general public, members of the armed forces and young people, between the ages of 12 and 18 years, may join the groups which man the thirty-two dinghies and several rowing skiffs making up the fleet.

Full particulars about membership fees, rules and regulations may be had by writing to Community Recreation Service, 739 Boylston Street, Boston.

Several of the hospital student nurses have joined this "Sailing Club" and are out each day, regardless of weather, sailing one of these sleek dinghies with the skill of an old salt.

M. G. H. CAPS

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Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Abbott, Sylvia, Capt.		1931	Army	9th Gen. Hosp., APO 920, San Francisco
Ainsworth, Leah Clark, Lt.		1923	Army	
Allen, Margaret Hazen, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Andrews, Priscilla M., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Armstrong, Katherine, Ens.		1938	Navy	USNTS (F C-D) Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Atto, Kathleen, Lt. Col.		1922	Army	Hotel Marie Antoinette, Broadway at 66th Street, NYC
Ayer, Dorothy, Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Babcock, Grace R., Lt.		1939	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barrett, Ann, Ens.		1943	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho
Barrett, Katherine C., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Goldie, Lt.		1926	Army	A.N.C., N 744468, APO 511 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Rowena, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 72166 (Sq. K 1380th AAF. Bu., Presque Isle, Me.
Batin, Gladys McCracken, Lt.		1933	Army	Mitchell Field, Long Island, NY
Bean, Esther M., Lt.		1934	Army	
Beardwood, Gladys, Lt.		1925	Army	3119 SCN Med. Dept., Camp Edwards, Mass.
Beatham, Sybil, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720-484, 31st Sta. Hosp., APO 502 Postmaster, San Francisco
Beaudette, Laurianne, Lt.		1937	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Becker, Helen Gibbons, Lt.		1933	Army	Cushing Gen. Hosp., Framingham, Mass.
Benedict, Rebecca, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 752929, 54th Gen. Hosp., APO 565 San Francisco, Calif.
Benyon, Marion, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 751199, 16th Sta. Hosp., APO Postmaster, NYC
Berg, Aino K., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753211, 221st General Hospital
Binns, Julia, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 742205, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Bitzer, Barbara, Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752070, 16th General Hospital, APO 350 Postmaster, NYC
Blaney, Evelyn M., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster NYC
Blood, Margaret Mahoney, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 741705 8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco, Calif.
Bourne, Constance E., Lt.		1938	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bowers, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 744678, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Boyce, Gula, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 752897, 119 General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Boyle, Rita, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741667, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brandon, Geraldine, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brebbia, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Briggs, Cleora, Lt.		1942	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Britt, Florence, Lt.		1935	Army	
Brooks, Jessie H., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brown, Louise M., Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Brown, Jessie, Lt.		1943	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bruce, Elaine, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758401, 125th Evac. Hospital, APO 349A, Postmaster, NYC
Bruno, Carmela, Lt.		1942	Army	
Buckley, Elizabeth, Ens.		1942	Navy	

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Budzyena, Anne H.		1944		
Burgess, Linda, Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741671 MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Burns, Helen P., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752903, 162 General Hospital, Postmaster NYC APO 514
Butcher, Edith J., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cahill, Ann, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Came, Barbara L., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Canning, Mary A., Capt.		1923	Army	N. 742143, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cape, Jacqueline, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital
Cardinali, Inez, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752638, 262 General Hospital, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Carpenter, Mary L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 744003, 13th Field Hospital, APO 230, NYC
Carr, Kathryn, Lt.		1942	Army	
Cassell, Blair, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Casey, Mary L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Chadbourne, Helen O., Capt.		1932	Army	N. 720839, 10th Evacuation Hospital, APO 923 Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Chrystal, Dorothy M., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 741976, 59th Evacuation Hosp., APO 758, NYC
Clark, Alice, Lt.		1939	Army	N. 720016, 33rd Surgical Hospital, APO 923, San Francisco, Calif.
Coffey, Eileen, Lt.		1938	Army	N. 720198, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Coggsweil, Thelma B., Lt.		1926	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Coghlan, Helen J., Capt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Connor, Louise Lunt, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Storey, Virginia
Convelski, Stephanie, Lt.		1933	Army	8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco
Conza, Ermine, Capt.		1920	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Coolidge, Mary, Lt.		1927	Army	314th Station Hospital, APO 511
Cooper, Jean, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Corcoran, Alice M., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Corthell, Beatrice M., Lt.		1922	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Cox, Christine, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752272, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Crafts, Eleanor B., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741678, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Cree, Edna, Lt.		1928	Army	
Curran, Helen L., Lt.		1938	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Davis, E. Jacqueline, Capt.		1932	Army	N. 751186, 303 General Hospital, Shelby, Mississippi.
Davis, Miriam, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Davis, Natalie, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 759376, 3rd Aux. Surgical Group, APO 230, NYC
Dawson, Marjorie, Lt.		1936	Army	Station Hospital, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin
Dervin, Margaret, Lt.		1932	Army	Fort Banks, Winthrop
DeWolf, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
DiNatale, Bernadette A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Donahue, Josephine Lt.		1941	Army	Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
Dow, Miriam Atwood, Lt.		1924	Army	218th U. S. Army Hospital Ship Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Doyle, Rita, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Drolet, Velma A., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Dufault, Leonille M.		1936		

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Duffy, Dorothy, Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Duffy, Lelia E., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dumaine, Betty		1926	A.R.C.	APO 884, New York City
Durning, Virginia, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dwyer, Mary E., Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751594, 5th Gen. Hospital, APO 350, NYC
Eaton, Caroline, Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ellinwood, Doris, Capt.		1925	Army	209th USAHS Complement-Station Hospital, C. P. of E., Charleston, S. C.
Emerson, Edna, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Emery, Margaret, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ethier, Mildred, Lt.		1920	Army	N. 721821, 18th General Hospital, APO 689, PM NYC
Eveleth, Annette L., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 742207, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Farley, Grace, Lt.		1943	Army	
Farrar, Priscilla, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Long Beach, Calif.
Farren, Lucy G., Lt.		1934	Army	142nd General Hospital—N721536 A.P.O. 465 C/o Postmaster, NYC
Finn, Helen L., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758366, 178th Gen. Hosp., APO 17172, Post- master, NYC
Finn, Mary E., Lt.		1939	Army	
Forand, Avis L., Lt.		1942	Army	Base Hospital, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Delaware
Forbes, Pauline G., Lt.		1929	Army	Camp Myles Standish, Taunton, Mass.
Ford, Anna, Lt.		1942	Army	
Forgey, Grace Riordan, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 752310, 110th General Hospital, APO 69, Postmaster, NYC
Forrant, Helen A., Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741683 MGH Unit 764, Postmaster, NYC
Fraser, Mary A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Flett, May L., Lt.		1923	Army	N. 758894, 235th General Hospital, APO 772, PM NYC
Gardner, Grace E., Ens.		1932	Navy	Newport Naval Hospital
Gardner, Ruth G., Ens.		1938	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Bloomington, Ind.
Gates, Evelyn, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751150, Station Hospital, Loury Field, Colo.
Giberti, Florence L., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Gianarakos, Anastasia, Lt.		1941	Army	
Gleichauf, Irene V., Lt.		1945	Army	
Glynn, Eileen, Ens.		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Corona, Calif.
Goethal, Yvonne, Lt.		1939	Army	New Orleans Air Base, New Orleans, La.
Goldthwait, Marjorie, Lt. (j.g.)		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Graham, Helen K., Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Virginia
Gravelle, Jean, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Gredzinski, Helen, Ens.		1940	Navy	Station Hospital, Sampson, N. Y.
Greene, Ardenia Abbott, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Guillemette, Loretta, Lt.		1940	Army	Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.
Haddon, Ruth, Lt.		1939	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Halekas, Garyfallia, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751367, USAHS "C. A. Stafford" E APO 464, Lexington Avenue, NYC
Haley, Blanche, Lt.		1930	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Halladay, Hazel, Capt.		1930	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Hansis, Evelyn, Lt.		1939	Army	N. 721945, U. S. Mercy (A H 8) San Francisco, Calif.
Hardy, Amanda B., Lt.		1926	Army	62 General Hospital, APO 9648, NYC

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Hardy, Nancy, Lt.		1944	Army	
Harlow, Ermelyne O., Lt.		1928	Army	11th Evacuation Hospital, APO 758, NYC
Harris, Winona Meilleur, Lt.		1941	Army	Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia
Harper, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 787578, A.A.F. Station Hospital, Gulfport, Army Air Field, Miss.
Hart, Ann A., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753194, 221st General Hospital, APO 513, Postmaster, NYC
Hart, Mary Patricia, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Hartnett, Helen F., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 788539, 821st M.A.E.T.S. APO 629, NYC
Hartnett, Marguerite E., Ens.		1943	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Hathaway, Ruth, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Herland, Phyllis G., Lt.		1945	Army	
Hewit, Helen G., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Hitchings, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Hollister, Louise H., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 741692, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holmes, Isabel, Lt.		1941	Army	
Holt, Cynthia, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holt, Norma Nesmith, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751477, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Horton, Ruth, Lt.		1941	Army	14th Evac. Hosp., APO 689, PM NYC
Hoyt, Ruth, Ens.		1929	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, Long Beach, Calif.
Hussey, Edwina, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720970, 5th General Hospital, U. S. Army APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
James, Doris, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Ft. Devans, Mass.
Jarvis, Katherine, Lt.		1940	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Jebens, Winifred Parsons, Lt.		1929	Army	107 (U.S.) General Hospital, A.P.O. 121 B, C/o Postmaster, NYC
Jensen, Barbara, Lt. (j.g.)		1939	Navy	U. S. Fleet, Hospital 113, Geneva, Ave. and Moscow St., San Francisco, Calif.
Jewell, Martha, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741695, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Johnson, Elsie, Lt.		1937	Army	Station Hospital, Fort Adams, R. I.
Johnson, Harriet L., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741696, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC.
Keane, Rita M., Lt.		1936	Army	India
Kearns, Muriel, Ens.		1936	Navy	U.S.N. Hosp., Navy No. 10, FPO San Francisco, California
Kellogg, Violet, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Kerzick, Mildred, Lt.		1934	Army	
Kidder, Virginia D., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Kimball, Martha, Ens.		1941	Navy	U.S.S. "Solace," San Francisco, Calif.
King, Evelyn V., Lt.		1938	Army	N. 741699, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Knapp, Dorothy M., Lt.		1930	Army	Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Knights, Doris, Maj.		1931	Army	N. 720156, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Koziol, Genevieve, Lt.		1944	Army	N. 752597, 184th Gen. Hospital, APO 514, NYC
Krook, Elsie, Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
LaFleur, Marjorie, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Lanouette, Naomi, Lt.		1927	Army	Fort Barrancus, Florida
Lawrence, Ruth, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 741703, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lord, Elizabeth W., Ens.		1932	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.

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Lowney, Carolyn, Lt.		1941	Army	13th Station Hospital, APO 703, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Luby, Lillian L., Lt.		1940	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Lyons, Catherine E., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lunt, Lucine M., Lt.		1930	Army	
MacNeill, Hazel W., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacSwain, Mary C., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Madden, Philipmena, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mainiero, Lena, Lt.		1944	Army	B.T.C. SCU 3115, Fort Devens, Ayer, Mass.
Mansfield, Shirley, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Mazzolini, Marion N., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Mather, Jean T., Lt. (j.g.)		1941	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital, No. 105, San Francisco, Calif.
Maxwell, Barbara E., Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
May, Marjorie, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
McCabe, Kathryn Lovejoy, Lt.		1936	Army	
McCormack, Madeline, Ens.		1943	Navy	N. 334792, U. S. Naval Hosp., Chelsea, Mass.
McCullough, Ethel, Lt.,		1937	Army	N. 751616, 181 General Hospital APO 883, NYC
McDonald, Jeannette C., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McDonald, Frances C., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McDonnell, Rose C., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
McGarry, Catherine, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 721318, Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
McGlynn, Dorothy F., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 787585, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Del.
McKee, Anna A., Lt.		1937	Army	N. 788105, 805th M.A.E.T. Sq. A.A.B., Dunnellon, Florida
McKee, Kathleen Mulvey, Lt.		1921	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McKinnon, Christine A., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McKenzie, Ann, Lt.		1941	Army	
McLellan, Bessie, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741710, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McMorran, Frances, Lt.		1942	Army	APO 782, Postmaster, NYC
McNees, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	N.796957, Camp Swift N-R-BTC, Texas
McWilliam, Priscilla Bonney Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752957, APO 7986, San Francisco, Calif.
Mears, Ann, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751350, APO 957, 204th General Hospital, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Meilleur, Winona, Lt.		1941	Army	
Moles, Dorothy I., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 720928, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Monaghan, Genevieve, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 752270, 29th Field Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Anne E., Lt.		1940	Army	181 General Hospital, APO 883, NYC
Moore, Anna L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Christine H., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741712, 114th Station Hospital, APO 782, NYC
Mosher, Louise G., Lt.		1936	Army	50th General Hospital, Camp Carson, Colo.
Mulholland, Anna, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Munroe, Barbara, Lt.		1942	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Nason, Eleanor, Ens.		1942	Navy	U.S.N. Hospital, N.O.B., Norfolk, Va.

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Nelson, Earlyne, Lt.		1942	Army	218th U. S. Ship-Dogwood, Postmaster NYC
Nelson, Margaret, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 920356, 15th Evacuation Hospital, APO 464, NYC
Newcomb, Ruth, Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Va.
Nickerson, Dorothy A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
O'Brien, Margaret, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752586, 184th General Hospital, APO 514 NYC
O'Leary, Rita E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Oosting, Minnie, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Osborne, Virginia M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Ottley, Jean, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 721055, 200th Station Hospital, APO 3413, Postmaster, Miami, Florida
Parker, Carolyn A., Lt.		1942	Army	177th General Hospital
Passios, Alexandria, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Pedley, Ruth A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Penniman, Ruth F., Lt.		1926	Army	N. 741982, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pentecost, Claire, Ens.		1940	Navy	District Mailing Center, 14th Naval District, Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco
Peterson, Barbara R., Lt.		1939	Army	N. 741715, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Phelps, Mavis, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Piippo, Regina Arline, Ens.		1941	Navy	
Pitman, Eleanor, Capt.		1925	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Plant, Eunice, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pritchard, Anna E., Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Quinn, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752817, 119th General Hospital, APO 314, NYC, N. Y.
Reardon, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn.
Reed, Carolyn Hayward Lt.		1922	Army	Station Hospital, Pine Camp, Watertown, N. Y.
Rein, Rita, Ens.		1934	Navy	Navy 231, Hosp. G 40, FPO PM NYC
Renn, Elsie G., Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Roberts, Jean, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752872, 200th Hospital Ship "Complement"
Robichaud, Eliz. Stevens, Lt.		1942	Army	U.S.A. Hospital Ship "Chateau Thierry," Postmaster, NYC
Rose, Eunice, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741719, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ross, Jean Perin, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Russell, Alice G., Lt.		1941	Army	19th General Hospital, APO 518, Postmaster, NYC
Sarad, Julia, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, El Cantro, Calif.
Sears, Virginia L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Shaw, Helen D., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 742146, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Sheehan, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	
Sheldon, Lilla, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hosp. Fort Devens, Mass.
Sherer, Louise C., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Simpson, Phyllis L., Ens.		1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Slattery, Ethel M., Ens.		1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Sloper, Lucia W., Lt.		1939	Army	
Smith, Constance, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Smith, Ruth Myers, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Ft. Devens, Mass.

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Smith, Phyllis, Ens.		1942	Navy	
Somerville, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Southway, Doris Carpenter, Lt.		1922	Army	N. 752036, 16th General Hospital, APO 350
Spillane, Beatrice G., Ens.		1928	Navy	
Starts, Mary H., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital 105, FPO, San Francisco, California
Stacey, Eleanor C., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Stanford, Beatrice Belisle, Lt.		1941	Army	Home, 422 June St., Fall River, Mass.
Stevens, Helene Cousins, Capt. (Mrs. George)		1938	Army	N. 751609, 314th Station Hospital, APO 511, Postmaster, NYC
Stoney, Dorothy, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 720549, McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas
Sullivan, Helen, Ens.		1941	Navy	Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.
Sullivan, Marion A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Sullivan, Mary Eliz., Lt.		1941	Army	
Sweeney, Mary, Lt.		1941	Army	2nd Station Hospital, APO 920, San Francisco, Calif.
Thigpen, Lorna, Lt.		1943	Army	Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Miss.
Tinkham, Anna L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 741868, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Tolman, Madeline A., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 744520, APO 511, 67th General, NYC
Townsend, Lois, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 751257, 140th General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Triggs, Grace, Ens.		1941	Navy	Newport, R. I.
Vandersloot, Rene E., Ens.		1936	Navy	USNC, Box 45, Navy 121, C/o Fleet Post Office, NYC
Waterhouse, Marian, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Welch, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Wentworth, Virginia, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
White, Alice M., Lt.		1930	Army	AP0 845, Postmaster NYC
Whittier, Eva, Lt.		1932	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Wilcox, Chloe D., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilkins, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 721944, 4th Aux. Surg. Group, APO 403 NYC
Willis, Irene E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilson, Margaret E., Ens.		1938	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Wilson, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741980, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Woods, Josephine, Ens.		1936	Navy	USMC, U. S. Naval Hospital, NAB, Norfolk 11, Virginia
Wright, Elizabeth Upton, Lt.		1927	Army	110th General Hospital, England
Wright, Helen Elizabeth, Lt.		1941	Army	Air Base, Miami Beach, Florida
Wrigley, Nellie, Lt.		1939	Army	W. 721924, 36 General Hospital, APO 380, Postmaster NYC
Yancey, Alice, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 3721801, 263 General Hospital, APO 465 NYC
Zagorin, Libby, Lt.		1941	Army	200th Hospital Ship Complement, Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, Long Island, NY

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Student Council Officers for 1945 are: President, Jeanne Mercer; Vice-president, Anne Sage; Secretary, Barbara Watson; Treasurer, Barbara Davis.

The following students have received Governmental Nursing Service Assignments:

Month	Student	Service	Address
January	Laura Schlums	Army	Framingham, Massachusetts
March	Shirley Ansell	Army	Framingham, Massachusetts
	Donna Conroy	Army	Framingham, Massachusetts
	Patricia Finn	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Dorothy Gawthrop	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Norma Goff	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Joanne Joy	Vets. Adr	Lyons, New Jersey
	Gertrude Murphy	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Beverly Nichols	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Sandra Scavotto	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
	Ethel Shaw	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
	Agatha Stravinsky	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
April	Patricia Bottiani	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Elizabeth Fawcett	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Mary Foss	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Maude Gritzmacher	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
	Ruth Kammler	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Jane Milliken	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Gilda Sardi	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
May	Margaret McFarlin	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
	Janice Randiott	Army	Camp Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts
	Sonia Wisotsky	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
	Muriel Zelle	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts

Well, we ten M.G.H. Senior Cadets who left for Fort Devens on March 15th have been so happy here that we don't quite know what to say.

We live in barracks and it is a good deal different from M. G. H.! There are more than one hundred Cadets in the present group, representing hospitals from practically every section of New England.

As for daily routine, it's really a busy one, but we like it nevertheless! Calisthenics are held every morning, from 7:00-8:00 A. M., and we drill from 3:00-4:00 P. M. daily. Our poor drill sergeant! Between getting us to obey "To the rear, march," "Cadence Count," etc., and maintaining discipline, he really has his hands full!

During basic training we have week-ends off. Most of the students who live within a short distance have taken late leaves

and gone home. Those of us who have been unable to go home are by no means at a loss for entertainment and recreation.

There are camp movies, U.S.O. Camp Shows, roller-skating sessions, dances, and almost anything else imaginable. There's something doing practically all the time.

As yet, we do not know where we will be stationed at the close of our basic training period, but none of us care a great deal, because we're all for the Army anywhere, anytime. This basic training is an experience in itself.

We are happy to see several M.G.H. "grads" among the lieutenants here. So far we've seen Lieutenants Pat Welch, Sophie Slovak, Marion Mazzolini, and Ruth Pedley. We're sure that there are more, but we just haven't seen them as yet.

Best wishes to all our friends back at M.G.H.—from all ten of us—Agatha Stravinsky, Beverly Nichols, Shirley Ansell, Norma Goff, Sadie Scavotto, Donna Conroy, Pat Finn, Gertrude Murphy, Dorothy Gawthrop and—

Yours sincerely,

Ethel M. Shaw.

+ + THE ALUMNAE + +

Alumnae Meetings

A small but enthusiastic group assembled in the Bigelow Amphitheatre, White 3A, on the evening of March twenty-seventh, to hear Mr. C. Russell Mason, State Director of the Massachusetts Audubon Society. He renewed our acquaintance with the colorful birds in our locality by showing a motion picture reel and explaining their migration habits and favorite haunts.

At the April meeting of the Massachusetts General Hospital Alumnae Association, Miss Betty Dumaine (1926) very interestingly told of her experiences in India with the Red Cross. Miss Dumaine, who had been in India for many months, is now home on leave and making a tour in the interest of the 7th War Loan Drive.

The May meeting of the M.G.H. Nurses Alumnae Association was the last one for the season, and was advanced one

week earlier. It was held in the living room of the Walcott House, and attended by the "Regulars." Following a short business meeting, Miss Dieter introduced the artists. Misses Nevery and Martin gave a generous repitoire of vocal and piano selections, while Marjorie Shepherd, monoloquist, won the applause of all by her humorous and serious readings. When the meetings start next October, let us all resolve to back up our busy President by attending the monthly meetings, thereby showing we are still interested and loyal to our Alma Mater.

ANNUAL MEETING

of

The Sick Relief Association

of

THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES
ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

At this our thirty-sixth annual meeting of the S.R.A. it is a pleasure to report a continued growth in membership. Our members now number 248,—an increase of 11 over last year.

Four meetings of the Executive Committee were held during the year,—all well attended. Nineteen new members were admitted. Four members resigned. One member died.

The treasurer has submitted her report showing that benefits amounting to \$1,176.76 were paid during the year,—a not inconsiderable sum though less than the amount paid last year. However, with a larger membership we should expect to pay out larger sums in benefits. We are fortunate in having within the alumnae association, an organization that is in a sound financial position and can provide such benefits to its members. Our treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$21,784.16; \$3000.00 of which is invested in War Bonds.

I regret to report the loss of two members by death. Miss Gertrude M. Eastman, class 1905 and Miss Elizabeth A. Flusk, class 1895. Miss Flusk died in February 1944, but we did not learn of her death until after the 1944 annual meeting. Both had long been members of the S.R.A.

With so many alumnae members now in military service a

great deal of credit is due the officers and members of the Executive Committee of the S.R.A. for the continued increase in membership. Let us hope that when the war is over and the nurses now in service return to a civilian status that many of them will appreciate the value of membership in this organization. If so, we can look forward to a greater growth.

I wish to take this opportunity to again thank the officers and members of the executive committee who have so ably contributed during the year to the work of the organization.

Alvira B. Stevens, President.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended April 30, 1945

Cash on hand May 1, 1944	\$21,319.76
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Receipts

Membership fees account 1943	\$40.00	
Membership fees account 1944	775.00	
Membership fees account 1945	360.00	
Membership fees, new members	85.00	
		1,260.00
Income on investments,		442.70
		<hr/> 23,022.46

Payments

Full benefits	640.00	
Partial benefits	536.76	
	1,176.76	
Postage	\$13.00	
Printing	7.43	
Auditing	20.00	
Treasurer's bond	5.00	
Pilgrim vaults, box rent	6.00	
Bank service charges	2.58	
Annual tea	7.53	
		61.54
		<hr/> 1,238.30
Balance April 30, 1945		<hr/> \$21,784.16

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Changes in Investments

Withdrawn from Savings Banks, etc.:

Brookline Savings Bank	\$500.00	
	500.00	
	500.00	
	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,500.00

Deposited with Boston Federal Savings and Loans Assn.

\$220.00

Purchased United States Defense

Bonds—Series G 2½%

Sept., 1944

500.00

Feb., 1945

1,000.00

April, 1945

1,000.00

\$2,720.00

Detail of Balance April 30, 1945 and Income on Investments from May 1, 1944 to April 30, 1945

	Interest Balance	
Boston Penny Savings Bank	\$4.58	\$308.87
Brookline Savings Bank	26.58	1,039.54
Cambridge Savings Bank	71.24	2,903.48
Franklin Savings Bank	14.94	756.62
Home Savings Bank	10.36	448.23
Provident Institution for Savings	37.07	1,881.95
	<hr/> 164.77	\$7,338.69
Dividend Savings Account:		
Watertown Co-operative Bank	3.94	194.53
United States Defense Bonds—Ser. G 2½%		
March, 1944	12.50	500.00
Aug., 1944	6.25	500.00
Feb., 1945		1,000.00
Apr., 1945		1,000.00
		3,000.00
Savings Share Account:		
Boston Federal Savings and Loan Assn.	95.24	3,490.50
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Boston Federal Savings and Loan Assn.	45.00	2,000.00

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10 Merchants Co-operative Bank	40.00	2,000.00	
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			5,200.00
State Street Trust Co.—checking Account Balance			560.44
	\$442.70		\$21,784.16

We have audited the accounts of the Treasurer for the year ended April 30, 1945. All recorded receipts have been deposited in the bank, and all payments made by check. The receipts and payments are as stated in the accompanying report, and the items making up the balance of \$21,784.16 have been verified by us, including inspection of securities at the safe deposit vaults of the Pilgrim Trust Company.

May 8, 1945

Signed by Amos D. Albee, Son & Co.
Certified Public Accountants.

Engagements

Doris M. Johnson (1943) to Mr. James Ellis O'Neill, U.S.A.A.F. of Biloxi, Mississippi.

Mary Constance Kendall (1945) to Lt. (j.g.) James A. Fitzgerald, U.S.N. of Brookline, Massachusetts.

Virginia Rose (1945) to Midshipman Frederick C. Hartwell, U.S.N.R., of Littleton, Massachusetts.

Marriages

Irene E. Willis (1941) A.N.C., to Captain Robert L. Murray, U.S.A.C. on December 25, 1944, in St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome, Italy.

Mary L. Halpin (1932) to Mr. Ray McKennan Harden, on February 28, 1945, in Ventura, California.

Lt. Julia L. Binns (1940) A.N.C., to Robert S. Cady, in March 1945 at Worcester, Massachusetts. Lt. Binns has recently returned from twenty-five months overseas duty with the M.G.H. 6th Unit.

Nettie A. Garrison (1942) to Mr. Edward P. Radford, Jr., on March 9, 1945, at Mount Vernon Church, Boston, Massachusetts.

Catherine E. Maitland (1943) to Mr. Donald E. L. Hallock of Baltimore, Maryland, on May 5, 1945, at the Topsfield Congregational Church, Topsfield, Massachusetts.

Marion C. Woodbury (1920) to Mr. Charles W. Hall, on May 22, 1945, in Lakewood, Ohio.

Lt. (j. g.) Elinor Gertrude Nason (1942) N.N.C., to Ensign James Millard Pierce, U.S.N.A.C., on May 26, 1945 in Oakland, California.

Alma B. Cady (1935) to Mr. Wendell Phillips, on June 10, 1945, in the Baptist Church, Lynn, Massachusetts.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Perry (Katherine Alice Chase, 1943) announce the birth of a son, Ralph Harwood, Jr., on January 8, 1945, at Ira, Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Macy (Virginia C. Bailey, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Alexander, Jr., on January 11, 1945, at Barre, Vermont.

Petty Officer and Mrs. George C. Marble (Mary Atkins Nickerson, 1943) announce the birth of a son, George Pearson, Jr., on January 22, 1945, at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sevigny (Ethel M. Perry, 1934) announce the birth of a son, Norman Charles, on March 6, 1945, at the Rutland Hospital in Rutland, Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Howe (Helen A. Lampinen, 1938) announce the birth of a daughter, Cynthia Anne, on March 19, 1945.

Lt. and Mrs. Wesley S. Newell (Veda E. Lohnes, 1938) announce the birth of a son, Richard Alan, on April 8, 1945, at the Somerville Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Wodell (Barbara Ann Christie, 1944) announce the birth of twin daughters, Susan Christie and Bonnie Ruth, at the Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell MacKay (Bernice Kimball, 1936) announce the birth of a daughter, Dorothy Frances, on May 3, 1945.

Lt. and Mrs. Thomas J. Adams (Barbara Elizabeth Mulvanity, 1943) announce the birth of a son, John Creighton, on May 9, 1945, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Deaths

Adelia A. Floyd (1921) of Westernville, New York, on April 21, 1945.

Dr. Fred Houdlett Albee

Dr. Fred H. Albee (SS 1904), noted pioneer in orthopedic surgery, died in New York on February 15. Dr. Albee is best known, in both America and Europe, for his original techniques in bone grafting. An account of his many accomplishments in the field of surgery, and a list of his contributions to medical literature, may be found in the "Journal of The American Medical Association" for February 24.

Eugene Pardon Sisson, Jr.

Dr. Eugene P. Sisson, Jr. (CM 1918) died in New Haven, Connecticut, January 27, after a brief illness. Since his graduation from the Harvard Medical School in 1918 and his internship at the Massachusetts General Hospital in 1919, he was engaged in practice in Lawrence, Kansas, until 1942. More recently he was associated with the Yale Department of Health.

William Atkins Bishop

Dr. William A. Bishop, a member of the Staff at Massachusetts General Hospital since 1929, died very suddenly on February 14. Dr. Bishop graduated with honors from the Tufts Medical School. He went directly to Panama, where he was a medical officer in the Ancon Hospital during the construction of the great canal. After that he served in hospitals during the construction of the dams on the upper Tennessee River. He went

into the Army during World War I, and was Adjutant at the Parker Hill Hospital in Boston. For the past several years he was a loyal and faithful member of the Out-Patient Medical Clinic at Massachusetts General. His work was careful, thorough, and detailed; his manner was happy; and his relations were kindly. In private practice he became a leader in industrial medicine and did much to advance the work in this field. His advice and counsel was much sought. He was a true physician and a devoted friend.

H. C. M.

Lt. Robert S. Hurlbut

Lt. Robert S. Hurlbut has been reported as "Missing" since the loss of his ship, in the Pacific Area, on March 26. He is presumed lost. Lieutenant Hurlbut was an Interne and then Assistant Resident on the East Surgical Service from 1938 until 1942, when he was called to active duty in the Navy.

Edward Lorraine Young, III

Capt. Edward L. Young, III, MC, AUS (WS 1942) was killed in action in Germany on March 24. Nothing more than the tragic report of Captain Young's death has yet reached his family.

+ + **NEWS** + +

Ruth Sleeper (1922) spoke to the faculty and students of Hood College in Frederick, Maryland, in April. We are to receive students from Hood College in 1946 for our regular 3 year program in the School of Nursing. Upon completion of their course, these students will receive an M.G.H. diploma and a B.S. degree from Hood College.

Elizabeth J. O'Loughlin (1943) writes from New York City where she is studying at Teachers College, Columbia, and enjoying the city in the springtime. She is taking a special course in pediatric nursing and will return as head nurse on the pediatric ward.

Several graduates of the School took part in the Florence Nightingale Memorial Service sponsored by the Boston Branch of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses. The Service was held in Emmanuel Church at 4:30 on Sunday, May 13th. The Rev. Ronald Fairbanks, chaplain of the Guild and Protestant chaplain of the Massachusetts General Hospital took part in the Service; the Rev. Phillips Osgood, rector of Emmanuel, preached the sermon to the large group of nurses, graduates and students in uniform, who made up the congregation.

Linda Burgess (1930) a member of the M.G.H. Unit, is on furlough in this country. She visited us one day in the Nursing Office.

Claire Favreau (1925) Lt. Commander, U.S.P.H. Service, is assistant to the Director, Division Nurse Education. She visited the hospital during a recent trip to Boston in May.

Lt. Dorothy Knapp (1930) A.N.C. is now stationed at the Regional Hospital in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Stella O'Mara (1943) and Mary Hatheway (1942) are both on the regular staff of the New York V.N.A., formerly the Henry Street V.N.A. They are also taking courses at Teachers College, Columbia, in connection with their work.

Hendrika Vanderschurr (1934) is attending Boston University for intersession and summer school courses.

Mary L. Flett (1923), Lt. A.N.C. has sent two lovely colored post cards from Nice. She has visited Cannes, Nice and Grasse. She is with the 235th General Hospital.

Grace Follett (1939) is working with the Austen Riggs Foundation in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

1st Lt. Anna M. McKee (1937) flight nurse, was decorated with the Air Medal for "courage and devotion to duty" together with 20 other nurses, at a mass presentation at Headquarters, 13th Army Air Forces, Southwest Pacific. The citation stated that the flights, to evacuate sick and wounded soldiers "involved flying in low altitudes over mountainous terrain under adverse weather conditions in a transport airplane and often necessitated landings within a few miles of enemy bases—hostile contact was probable and expected." Lt. McKee has completed 400 flying hours as a flight nurse and wears four battle stars on her Asiatic campaign ribbon.

Sylvia Abbot (1931) Captain, A.N.C. has traveled widely. She sailed for Australia in July 1943. "We were taken to a staging area outside of Brisbane. The days were quite warm but the nights cold; while we were there, we took turns getting up at 5:30 a.m. to build a fire in a small pot bellied stove. There were 17 of us to a tent." She then moved and helped open up a hospital on another island.

Back to the staging area and on to "a small but very beautiful island off New Guinea. We arrived the day before Christmas and Christmas morning had our first and only experience in a slit trench." Here a hospital was opened and "we were extremely busy having a lot of very sick typhus patients. Besides, we had no walks and the mud was most of the time up to our knees. If you were unfortunate enough to fall down you were rushed to a shower to be scrubbed before undressing."

"In May (1944) Marjorie Bowers and I went to Australia. We visited Sydney and Melbourne, both of which are charming cities and for the first time in months we had fresh milk and vegetables. We flew down and back and took off in anything from C-47s to bombers. It was up to you to get your own rides."

"In October 1944, we joined our officers on another island and opened the hospital a day after our arrival. Here we had no mud and altho it may pour for hours, a few minutes after the sun appears, the coral is dry. We live in tents with coral floors. The nights are cool but the daytime heat is terrific,—often the temperature in our tents climbs to 110 degrees to 120 degrees . . . All along the way the patients have been perfectly grand to care for and almost never complain."

Mary Staats (1937) Lt. (j. g.) N.C. U.S.N.R. has had a 30 day leave after duty in the Solomons and New Caledonia. She had been assigned for duty the last of May, at the Naval Hospital in Philadelphia.

Alice M. McMurray (1937) Lt. (j.g.) U.C. U.S.N.R. is stationed at the U. S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, California. Her Navy career started in April 1943 and has included training at Great Lakes, Illinois, over a year's duty at Camp Perry, Virginia. Her present "hospital compound is tremendous and exotically beautiful."

Lt. Lucy G. Farren (1934) writes that she has been in the A.N.C. since July, 1942, and last April completed her 26th month in India, where she has helped set up an Army general hospital and watched it grow to three thousand beds. Ruth Horton (1941) Alice Yancey (1941), and Rita Keane (1936), worked with her.

Major Doris Knights, (1931) A.N.C., wrote in March of the changes in the Massachusetts General Hospital Unit since May 1942:

They have lost about 45 (14 of whom were from M.G.H.) and added approximately 25 in the two years overseas. She now has 57 from M.G.H. and 43 from other hospitals. There are 9 remaining from the 12 who came from Fort Devens but only 3 of the 10 who came from Camp Edwards. "Not all of these losses were to the States. Several transferred to Field or Evacuation Hospitals after being with us a year or more . . . As far back as December, the nurses, dietitians and physical therapists started to go out on detached service and now Miss Pitman, a Cambridge Hospital nurse and I are the only ones left with the "6" General Hospital. They are spread in fifteen different places or hospitals, both North and South of us . . . Two weeks ago I made a trip South and visited some hospitals where they are on duty; all are pleasantly situated but are looking forward to the day when we shall have our own hospital again. No news yet as to when that will be . . . The reproduction enclosed of the flower mart is very natural and it is a beautiful spot. Spring has come early to Italy this year. For the last week I've been cutting narcissus from the garden and the mimosa and fruit trees have been in bloom for sometime."

Miss Charlotte Hall (1944), Miss Marie Rearick (1944), Miss Natalie King (1941), and Mrs. Marie Scherer Andrews (1936), participated in the program of the Institute given by the Eastern Massachusetts League of Nursing Education on May 22 at the Copley Plaza. Their contribution was a demonstration of "Planning a Weekly Ward Teaching Program."

The nursing staff of the Out-Patient Department met at the home of Mrs. Susan Flake on Byron Street, Friday, April 6, 1945, in honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Alma Cady, Public Health Supervisor, to Mr. Wendell Phillips. During the evening refreshments were served by the hostess, and a gift was presented to Miss Cady.

H. Frances Chambers (1927) is now an Assistant to the Director of the Cambridge Hospital, serving in the admitting office.

Mrs. G. Farnand Mathieu (Joyce C. Poole, 1928) was a recent patient at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, under the care of Dr. Paul Chandler. For the past fourteen years, Mrs. Mathieu has served as Public Health nurse under the American Red Cross in Orange, Massachusetts.

Lt. Nellie Wrigley (1939) who enlisted in the A.N.C. in November, 1942, has seen service in North Africa, Italy, Southern France and Germany. Lt. Wrigley was with the 11th Field Hospital which supported the U. S. 7th Army.

Two students have taken part in the recent Student Recruitment program in Boston. Miss Mercer, the President of the Student-Coop. Association, and Miss Margaret Bacon, a senior cadet, both spoke over the radio during two "interviews."

In April, President Bancroft Beatley of Simmons College, announced the promotion of nine faculty members. Miss Marjory Stimson was in the group receiving full professorship of Public Health Nursing.

Capt. Ermine Conza (1920) A.N.C. is Acting Chief Nurse of the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts.

On Saturday, May 27, 1945, Lt. Robert W. Devonshire, U.S.A.A.F., son of Mrs. Charles E. Devonshire (Irene W. Mason, (1907) was married to Jeanne Cynthia Harper of Framingham Center. Lt. Devonshire had recently returned to this country after 35 missions over Germany.

Alice M. Westcott (1913) has returned to her former habitat, the Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital, Gardner, Massachusetts, to relieve for two months, later going to Blue Hill, Maine, to enjoy the fireside of her own cottage.

Mary J. MacKay (1911) has joined the ranks of "Executive Assistants." She is now relieving in the Admitting Office of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary for the summer.

Doctors, nurses and employees from the many departments of the hospital who were off duty in the late afternoon of June 7th, joined the many thousand spectators at the 'Hatch Shell' on the Charles River Esplanade, to see and hear General George S. Patton, Commander of the famed Third Army. I am sure that all who heard him were filled with emotion when he praised the courage of his fallen heroes and the splendid work of the doctors and nurses.

Mrs. Reinhold Johnson (Esther J. Robinson, 1924) is home in Easton, Massachusetts, on the sick list. For the past two years Mrs. Johnson has been doing her bit, etherizing at the Children's Hospital five days a week from 9 to 1.

FOR RELEASE To: Eye & Ear Infirmary, Mass. General
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From Medical Department Information
Service, Office of the Chief Surgeon
Headquarters, U.S.A.E.O.S.

Att: Miss Dorothy Tarbox
Alumnae Quarterly

SOMEWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES:

The promotion of Helen O. Chadbourne ANS of 231 Eastern Avenue, Gloucester, Mass., to the grade of Captain was made recently in the Office of the Director of Nursing for the Southwest Pacific Area. In her present position she is Chief personnel officer for all Army Nurse Corps personnel in the Southwest Pacific Area.

Captain Chadbourne has been overseas since March, 1942, originally being assigned to the 10th Evacuation Hospital, where for 22 months she was charge nurse over several wards. Her service with the 10th Evacuation Hospital included 14 months spent in New Guinea at Port Moresby and at Dobodura where the unit cared for battle casualties from the Burma campaign. Captain Chadbourne at this time organized the first nurse's supply in New Guinea.

In January, 1944, she was reassigned to Australia to become Chief Nurse of the Nurse's Supply Division in Brisbane. She held this post for eight months.

With the invasion of the Philippines, she was flown to Leyte to assume the duties of Assistant Chief Nurse in the Leyte sector. In March she was reassigned again to her present post of chief personnel officer in the Office of the Directors of Nursing.

Captain Chadbourne was graduated from the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing in Boston, prior to entry into the Army, she worked as an instructor at the Robert Breck Brigham Hospital in Boston and did supervisory work at the Phillips House in Boston.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Oakes of 210 Magnolia Street, Gloucester. She makes her home with her sister, Mrs. James Currier, in Gloucester.

On June 14th the M.G.H. celebrated Volunteers' Day. The speakers were Bishop Knox Sherrill and Mayor Kerrigan. Dr. Means introduced the speakers. Music was furnished by the U. S. Coast Guard Band and the Vincent Club Drill was fascinating and very deserving of the tremendous applause they received. Our Director, Dr. Faxton, thanked the volunteers for their fine services to the hospital. Punch and cookies were served.

Twenty-six members of the Nurses Club of Base Hospital No. 6, "Bordeaux Belles," and one guest, Miss Mary Kennedy, returned nurse from the 6th General Hospital, spent a delightful evening in the Hancock Room of the Hotel Statler on Saturday, May 12.

After a delicious dinner of fruit cup, lobster thermadore, french fried potatoes, celery, olives, ice cream, cake and coffee, the President, Josephine Mulville called the meeting to order for a brief business session. Then in alphabetical order, each one was called upon to tell in five minutes, the most amusing incident of her stay in France. Miss Parsons, our Chief Nurse, was let in on several secrets.

The whole group was in gales of laughter most of the time. Time went all too quickly.

Those present were Angeline Bagley Matteoli, Catherine Carlton, Catherine Conrick Tucker, Isabel Dewar, Mary Diamond Carey, Mary Driscoll, Hazel Gammon, Clara Hyson Ernst, Flora Inglis, May Rose Kelly Gullifer, Frances Ladd, Mary Lee, Glee Marshall Barter, Hannah McEwan, Frances Morton Everberg, Josephine Mulville, Olga Olsen Robinson, Lady O'Gordman, Miss Parsons, Margaret Reilly, Edna Ricker, Annie Robertson, Dorothy Tarbox, Rosella Travers, Mary Walsh and Alice Wescott.

Ellwynne M. Vreeland (1934) is being loaned by the Russell Sage and Union Schools of Nursing, Albany, New York, to the Division of Nurse Education of the Public Health Service, Washington, D. C. She assumes her duties on July 15, 1945.

Col. Thomas R. Goethals, former Commanding Officer of the 6th General Hospital in North Africa and Italy, is now in charge of the Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Ayer, Massachusetts.

Helen O. Potter, Director of Nursing at the Quincy City Hospital, Quincy, Massachusetts, has assumed the Presidency of the Quincy Business and Professional Women's Club.

Among the candidates for Bachelor of Arts degree, Regis College class of 1945, Weston, Massachusetts, was Virginia E. Reardon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Reardon of Canton, Massachusetts (Ellen Harvey, 1913). Miss Reardon prepared for college at Boston Academy of Notre Dame. At college she majored in biology and took an active interest in the "Louis Pasteur Club" serving as associate editor of the "Scope" the science monthly. She was a member of the International Relations Club.

Catherine E. Peirce (1921) Assistant to the Director, Visiting Nurse Service, John Hancock Life Insurance Company, was a recent patient at the Baker Memorial and is making favorable progress.

In the hustle bustle of our busy hospital life, a good cup of tea in the afternoon with pleasant surroundings is always refreshing. Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Wales Faxon were "at home" on three Fridays in May from four to six o'clock. Many enjoyed their hospitality.

The tragic death of Dr. Sumner Jackson (E.S. 1916) on May 3, 1945, has been reported. He had served for many years on the staff of the American Hospital in Paris, making his home in Paris since World War I when he went overseas with the Harvard Unit. Dr. Jackson and his family were taken prisoners two days before D-Day and taken to Germany where Mrs. Jackson was confined in one camp and the doctor and his son in another. While being transferred on a small Germany warship the American naval forces sank the ship off Hamburg and Dr. Jackson was drowned. Elizabeth Ravina (1923) supervisor of the operating room in the same hospital had written recently of her anxiety and search for Dr. Jackson.

The Faculty and students of the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing gave an informal tea in honor of Miss Florence Kempf and Miss Frances Reiter, on Tuesday, June 12th, from 3 to 5 o'clock in the Walcott House living-room.

Miss Kempf, a graduate of the Lakeside School of Nursing, resigned after nine years as Assistant Principal of the School of Nursing and Supervisor of Instruction in Science to become Assistant Director of the School of Nursing at the Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut. Her duties started June 18.

Miss Florence Reiter, a graduate of John Hopkins Hospital, has served for three years as part time supervisor of Clinical Instruction here and was in charge of graduate nurses having field experience at Boston University. Miss Reiter has accepted the position as Instructor in the Division of Nursing, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York.

Both leave with the best of good wishes from all their M.G.H. friends and appreciation for all they have done for the school.

Capt. E. Jacqueline Davis (1932) A.N.C., has been transferred from the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts, to Camp Shelby, Mississippi and assigned to the 303rd General Hospital. They are now waiting orders to proceed overseas.

Mrs. James G. Clarke (Emma W. Millin, 1910) returned to Boston on April 15th, after spending the winter with a friend at Palm Beach, Florida. They enjoyed their own private house and basked in the sunshine. Now she is back to her duties as hostess in the School of Nursing office, one day a week.

On April 30, 1945, a long letter was received from Lt. Edwina N. Hussey (1937) now in France. She is anxiously waiting orders to return home after 3 years and 2 months of overseas service. Lt. Hussey enjoyed visits to Paris and Luxemburg and many other interesting places.

NEWS

Mrs. J. C. Brown (Vida Jacobs 1921) sends this message from Winfred Mooney (1921) dated Sept. 30, 1944.

To The Comite International De La Croix-Rouge.

Please transmit the following message

Name—Mooney —Nationality—British

Christian name—Miss Winifred

Camp—Civil Assembly Centre

Matriculation No. 16/126 Camp "C"

Locality—Yangchow

County—Kiangsu

Country—China

Message—

Am interned at Yangchow. In Nursing Service at Camp Hospital. Expect you are working like a Trojan. Keeping well. Kindest regards to all friends.

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Mrs. Brown's address is 2048 West Harding Way, Stockton, California, 48.

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2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

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6. For the Loan Fund to Helen Wood, Director, School of Nursing, Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts.

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ANTHEM

The heavens are telling the Lord's endless glory,
Through all the earth His praise is found.
The seas re-echo the marvellous story;
O man, repeat that glorious sound!
The starry hosts He doth order and number,
He fills the morning's golden springs,
He wakes the sun from his night-curtained slumber.
O man, adore the King of kings!

The heavens are His and the earth knows His favor,
His power in all things thou dost see;
The Lord of hosts who for ever and ever
Thy God and Father still shall be.
He is thy Maker whose love shall not waver,
A God of wisdom, ever kind;
Praise Him and love Him with all thy endeavor,
In Him salvation thou shalt find!

Massachusetts General Hospital
October 23, 1945

To The Alumnae of the School of Nursing:

You have realized that the fall issue of the Quarterly Record has been delayed. This was because we wished it to contain an important announcement which could not be released until late in October.

Ever since the affiliation of the School of Nursing with Simmons College changed, we have known that one should be set up with another educational institution. For a considerable period of time a committee, comprised of representatives from the hospital trustees, medical staff, alumnae, leaders in education, and the director of the hospital, the principal, and the assistant principal of the School of Nursing, has been at work in an effort to bring about such an affiliation.

It is because the members of the committee know the satisfaction and pleasure which the results of their work will bring to you that they are delighted to announce that the Council of Radcliffe College and the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital have authorized the establishment of a coordinated plan for the preparation of selected young women for the profession of nursing. With slight modification, the paragraphs that follow give the text of the article which was released to the press for Publication on Sunday, October 21, 1945.

Further information relative to the program will be circulated through the Quarterly Record, the School Catalogue, and a brochure. We know, that given time to organize, the alumnae will give the program nation wide support through committees formed for such purposes as recruitment, scholarships and added endowment.

Sincerely yours,

SALLY JOHNSON,

Principal, School of Nursing

From RADCLIFFE COLLEGE
Cambridge, Mass.

Mrs. Brewer Blackall
Director of Public Relations

FOR RELEASE SUNDAY, OCTOBER, 21, 1945

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.—A new coordinated plan for the training of selected young women who expect to make nursing their profession will be offered in September 1946 by Radcliffe College in cooperation with the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing. This program will be unique in that it offers for the first time an opportunity to combine a complete liberal arts education leading to a bachelor's degree with professional education in nursing. Candidates who are admitted to this five and one half year program will meet in every respect the requirements for the bachelor's degree, and may choose freely among the twenty-five undergraduate fields of concentration offered by Radcliffe College. No pre-professional courses will be included in the college program which might in any way limit the breadth of general education.

Students who begin their course in September 1946 will carry full work at

Radcliffe College for their first year and in addition will spend three hours a week at the Massachusetts General Hospital. During the next two and one-half years, including summer sessions, instruction will be given both at the College and at the School of Nursing, and at the end of three and one-half years the student will receive her bachelor's degree from Radcliffe. She will then spend two full years in the School of Nursing, receiving her nursing diploma at the close of this period.

Applicants will be admitted jointly by Radcliffe College and the School of Nursing and must meet the entrance requirements of both institutions. Joint admissions and supervisory committees will administer the program. Throughout the course there will be close integration between the college and the School of Nursing, with no sacrifice of requirements or standards on the part of either.

A nation-wide search for young women who will be outstanding candidates for this double program will be made. The Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital are prepared to offer a number of scholarships and loans to successful applicants and enrolled students who qualify for such aid, and all candidates enrolled will also be eligible for assistance from the Radcliffe College scholarship funds on precisely the same terms as other Radcliffe students.

This plan has been evolved as a result of the convictions of the governing boards of both institutions that the profession of nursing increasingly requires women with a broad educational background. Professional opportunities in hospital management, nursing and health education, and medical research more and more demand the graduate nurse who has the liberal arts training in addition to her diploma in nursing.

WAR'S END

There is an old Civil War song, "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," that expressed the longing for peace of the people after four years of war. On Monday night August sixth we, too, could have echoed the words of that old song.

"Many are the hearts that are weary tonight
Wishing for the war to cease.
Many are the hearts looking for the right
To see the dawn of peace."

And then suddenly, at seven o'clock on the evening of Tuesday August 14, came the news that the world had been waiting for. "Japan has surrendered. The war is ended." To us this meant the end of an armed conflict that began on December 7, 1941—over 3 years and 8 months ago. To England, Russia and China it meant years longer. To us it had meant hard work, long hours, some deviation from our accustomed way of living, and to most of us a constant sense of impending danger of the loss of loved ones. To those other countries—hardship, destruction, suffering and frightful loss of life.

But now it was over and we could rejoice. We who experienced the relief brought by that Tuesday announcement will never forget it. Some expressed their relief by jubilant shouting,

others by silent prayer, others by a visit to their church or the Hospital Chapel. All gave thanks to Almighty God that this day had come.

N. W. F.

THE ARMY NURSE

It will surprise no one who knows the record of the army nurse since the Crimean War to learn that she is again proving herself the equal of men under something very like combat conditions. At the Licata landing in Sicily, for instance, the nurses of an evacuation hospital disembarked on the heels of the infantry; made themselves at home, first, under fire in fox holes; then, on the ground with one blanket in infantry shelter-halves; in the famous pup tent, that is. For food and water, during this baptism of fire, each nurse had one B and one C ration and one canteen of chlorinated water. Once set up and the Geneva Cross unrolled, the hospital was spared shelling and bombing, but until then, for many hours, nurses were exposed to fire and to the deadly rain of flak. They were cheerful, uncomplaining and calm in the best tradition of the corps.

The behavior of the nurses of this single evacuation hospital was not only according to tradition but typical of women under fire in this war from Bataan to date. It has long been remarked by male veterans of field service, medical corps and infantry, that the so-called weaker sex is often cooler under fire than the allegedly stronger. Coming from wounded men who have recently been in the thick of combat, the remark is a nice compliment, to say the least. Used to the worst horrors of peace, as most men are not these young women—some of the best of them are no longer young—take the horrors of war in their stride. Death and wounds have been a part of their routine in civil life. But this familiarity does not explain their sang froid in facing death and wounds on their own account. Quite the contrary. It is due to a strong personal courage that knows the worst and faces it down with a nonchalance that surprises the veteran soldier.

N. Y. Herald Tribune

LETTER FROM HAZEL GOFF (1917)

Escola Tecnica de Enfermeiras
Estrada de Bemfioa, Palhava
Lisbon, Portugal
February 17, 1945

My dear Miss McCrae:

The first time I set sail across the Atlantic twenty-seven

years ago, it was with flags waving, bands playing and everyone singing, even the S. S. Leviathan signaling "God Speed" to us as we, in Red Cross uniform, boarded the interned German ship, re-named the S. S. Agememnon. Now we are in the midst of another holocaust, which caused my sailing date to Portugal to be shuttled back and forth across the calendar until I nearly lost my courage, for it allowed me too long a period to weigh the wisdom of this latest adventure. It was not easy to slip away with no flowers nor steamer baskets nor acquaintances waving farewell not even the usual profusion of books and magazines to fill in and lighten those first awful hours aboard when we push off from American shores. Since the Serpa Pinto was anchored at a freight dock in Philadelphia, it meant that friends were not even allowed near the ship, so the backward view was grim and the one ahead that morning very grey, bleak and most uncertain for reasons that may not be mentioned here.

The boat was small and rather friendly, but I was a bit resentful at first, when I found I had an upper bunk, with no reading light and the hardest pillow I ever put my head on. However, my companion was a pleasant little English woman and I tried to feel venturesome and young by playing the role of monkey twice a day, and endeavoring to settle into the lumpy trough in the mattress made by countless voyagers since the days of Queen Victoria. (It was originally an English ship with a past!) At the end of a week I found it possible to relax and sleep some, which is proof that the human anatomy can endure much. Needless to say my natural padding was an asset for once.

The ship was nosed away from the dock in the night and at breakfast we found it churning the ice down the river; the good U. S. Coast Guardsmen leaving us to the fate of the open sea late in the afternoon. What of the weather. In forty-eight hours we had two thunder storms; two double rainbows, a bad snow storm, balmy sunshine along with a sea which follows such elements. There was a bit of excitement at lunch one day when two tables near me with four women, six chairs, dishes, wine, water, food, etc., overturned onto the floor. It was a heavy sea. No one was injured fortunately, but the officers at the next table were much concerned for a few moments. The following night at 4 a.m. there was a terrific lurch and we heard all the deck chairs overhead slide and crash into the rail. As they slid

back, a tray of dishes on the shelf outside our stateroom fell and were smashed to bits. For a moment we thought our doom was striking. In the next thirteen days we became accustomed to overturned tables in the Lounge and the general staggering and rolling about.

We sailed fully lighted with special lights playing on a wooden banner painted to represent the Portuguese flag. The absence of any boat drill and the scarcity of fire extinguishers was lost on most of the passengers I am sure; such chances are taken by our gullible public. However, four black dogs, of different breeds, ran loose over the ship and evidently brought us good luck.

As table companions I had three attractive young women, full of enthusiasm about their new posts which may be London, Brussels or Oslo.

The stop, of a few hours one afternoon at the island of San Miguel in the Azores, was interesting for the port is an attractive little town, backed by very green fields, low wooded hills and partially protected from the sea by a breakwater which forms part of the docks. The larger buildings have been camouflaged and all are painted in buff, orange, rose or green making a delightful setting for an open air opera. There we took aboard fresh pineapples, for which this land is noted, and were they delicious!! We also took on a section of the Portuguese army which was being mustered out. That night some of the soldiers sang and danced to their guitar music. A couple were good comedians.

After frequent rumors the bath steward assured me we should dock early Sunday morning so if I wanted another briny dip it would have to be at 6 a.m. I was awake earlier; from subconscious excitement probably, and took advantage of his offer. It was a wise move for I was on deck when they took on the pilot out in the bay and watched the sun come up over my new home with very mixed emotions. It was a fresh, bright morning and the tidy settlements along the river Tagus, backed by the greenest hills imaginable, and topped by fleecy white clouds made a very favorable impression.

On deck early, a young Portuguese engineer, representative of Marconi Company, who had been studying the radio situation in N. Y. for six months, told me much about the surroundings. However, I was very glad that I had read so much previously as it all "came to life." When the young man saw his family on the dock, he yelled like a maniac and I thought he would jump over the rail in his excitement. About ten o'clock we docked at the western end of Lisbon, a city built, not on

seven but seventeen hills I should say. To me, at a distance, it was a mixture of cities I have seen in Southern France and Italy, with many modern buildings interspersed and well adapted. Its characteristics, peculiarities and charm will make a good letter one day.

The Administrator and two physicians from the Cancer Institute met me, presenting the Professor's apologies as he was ill. They got me thru the customs promptly and efficiently (which was an accomplishment) and I reached the School, at the other side of the city by 11:30. My five pieces of luggage were turned over to the police who delivered them, in my room, within the hour.

The taxis were the first unusual feature which attracted my attention. They are tiny, very low and hold only three persons (folded up) with the chauffeur. The latter are extremely independent and have to be good mathematicians since they charge you half again as much as the meter registers—plus the tip. However, fares are not too expensive. They race these little cars around like scooters and it is amazing in some of the older parts of the city, where the streets are narrow, winding and precipitous, how they avoid accidents. The fact they are light, short and easy to manage doubtless saves one's neck often for they certainly step on the gas.

Traffic police, I am told, have only existed since 1940 and since the people are said to be rather independent, with a great sense of humor, and this city, unlike Boston, has many hubs (not just one) the white helmeted cops have their own problems. Personally I should not blame them for blowing their whistles long and hard and then shutting their eyes at the on-coming (from all directions) traffic. I have been in town three times this week and was fascinated by many things I saw, but more of that another time.

On my arrival, at the entrance of the School, I was met by a camera and photographed. The Reception Committee, which included the very charming House Director and an attractive young graduate, who is my sole assistant at the moment, took me on a tour of the School. It made an excellent impression and will be the object of my next letter. At this point I shall state only that my apartment of sitting-room, bedroom and bath and office are an improvement on any similar quarters with which I have ever been provided in the U. S. The order and cleanliness are, without exception, unique in anything I

have ever witnessed in all my travels. At least there is a good basis on which to build nursing.

Luncheon at one o'clock was welcome and beautifully served. There is always soup, one main dish of fish or meat with vegetables, usually green salad and fruit for dessert. So far everything has been very good but I like garlic and onions and French coffee which might be a trial for some of you with less plebian tastes.

After a week, I have only one complaint, as far as living is concerned and that is the cold. Another winter I shall take preventive measures but it is too late now. I have hopes for today has been the most beautiful spring day you can imagine, on the roof in the sunshine.

Thus ends my first missive to you, done by the HUNT SYSTEM since this machine has a native keyboard and several important letters are in the wrong places for English. My daily lessons are underway and I find translations easy but the pronunciation difficult.

This letter I am sending to many of my good friends but any who wish to be included on the list hereafter must answer this. Remember too that censorship causes delay so it may take two months or more for letters to reach their destination. Unfortunately I cannot get this off to some of you as my address book I put in the box with all my books and papers which had to pass the Customs Office in New York. Meantime "yours truly" has a mammoth job so do write often to

HAZEL A. GOFF (1917)

LETTER FROM ELEANOR PITMAN (1925)

12th General Hospital
APO 782, N. Y. Postmaster
August 30, 1945.

Dear Miss McCrae:

I really am sorry that I have taken such a long time to answer your nice letter, and the card which you sent to all the Nurses, we did indeed feel very much alone at the time it came for we were in the process of closing out the 6th for the last time, and I want to tell you it was not a very happy time. We have been together for a long time and have become like a

family, in spite of difficulties and differences we still think that each section of the 6th is about the best that can be found in the Army. Now we are scattered far and wide and the painful process of waiting for orders to go home, begins.

At present I am assigned to the 300th General, it is in Naples, but I have not yet shown them what the Army has seen fit to encumber them with, I am temporary duty with the 12th General in Leghorn, helping out in the Nurses' staging area, there is not much to do but I see a lot of a major portion of our group, and too, I am close to what remains of the 6th, in a few days I am going to the French Riviera for a seven day leave, and after that I do not know where I go, but still hope that I will get home before Xmas, after all the War is over and that is the most wonderful thing of all, it is good to think that the killing and maiming has ceased, we are all tired and it is a long time since we have seen home and families, but it might have been longer if the Japs had not decided to give up. I try to think that way about it, although I was terribly upset when we were so completely broken up, and I had several days of trying hard to find something or someone that I could blame for the whole thing, but had to give up and accept the fact that it is all part of the consequence of War. We have had a hard time there has been no romance or glamour to this experience, and if enough of us realize that fact maybe we will help dissipate the idea from the minds of our fellow men, we are tempted to dazzle those at home with the glory of our doings, but there is nothing but the ordinary life lived under harder conditions, in a strange country, relieved by new sights that soon lose their newness, and by the friends that we have and the growing breadth and depth of our understanding.

Will you excuse my errors in type and construction I am not an expert with the typewriter, but I have to do a certain amount of it and today I am trying to pick up a little practice in speed, by writing my letters this way and I concentrate so much on the keys that I forget to stop for paragraphs.

Mary Canning is visiting us this afternoon, she is assigned to the 64th General, it is good to see her, and I wish we were all back together again. Do not try to answer this letter because I will move around so my mail will never catch up. I hope that it will not be too long before I can drop in to see you.

My best wishes to all who may inquire.

Sincerely
ELEANOR PITMAN (1925)

The following items are reprinted from the Massachusetts General Hospital "News."

GEORGE WINSLOW HOLMES

In February of 1941, our beloved Radiologist in Chief, after having served the hospital faithfully for thirty-four years and having reached the retirement age, was placed on the Board of Consultation, and went to his home in Belfast, Maine, to spend the remainder of his life in quiet piscatorial and literary pursuits.

He was not allowed to remain in this blissful state long, because in September of 1942, Dr. Hampton, his successor, was ordered to active duty in the Army, and ever since, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, has acted as Radiologist in Chief to the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. Holmes, therefore, as the British would say, was dug out of his retirement and came back to full duty, thus saving the hospital from a serious situation in its X-ray Department.

For nearly three years now he has worked here running this department and serving on the General Executive Committee, and indeed being a tower of strength and source of wisdom to the Staff in many ways. Finally, however, at the present writing, July 1945, Dr. Holmes feels that Dr. Robbins is fully equipped to take over as Acting Chief, and he has asked, therefore, to be allowed again to retire, and the Staff and Trustees have acquiesced in his request.

What we all think of George Holmes was illustrated at the Grand Rounds of the Medical Service on June 28th. When it had been pointed out that this was to be his last regular attendance, an expression of affection and gratitude to him was given in the shape of prolonged applause.

Dr. Holmes is again headed for Belfast, Maine—that lovely town beside Penobscot Bay—where he will continue to catch fish and use his fine brain in a leisurely way to the production of further literary works that he has long wished to get at. We hope, however, that he will be with us in the winter months from time to time, and give us more of his wisdom as a member of the Board of Consultation. As he goes to his well deserved leisure, he can be assured that every one of us will be with him constantly in spirit.

—J. H. M.

A Statement Relative to the Nursing Situation at the
Massachusetts General Hospital

The nursing situation in this hospital is again becoming

critical. Last year it was necessary to close a floor in the Phillips House, one in the Baker Memorial, and one in the White Building of the General Hospital. Unless this shortage can be relieved we shall be forced again to close floors.

The pre-war number of graduate nurses for all units of the Massachusetts General Hospital averaged about 300. Now the average is about 150. The pre-war number of student nurses averaged about 300. Now it is 450. However, there are many reasons why the increase in the number of students does not compensate for the loss in the number of graduates. Only a small amount of bedside nursing service is given by students during the pre-clinical course, none while they are on affiliation in other institutions, and none while in such special services at the home hospital as Diet Kitchen, Operating Room, and Out-Patient Department. In contrast, the graduate floor duty nurse gives all of her time to the care of the patients.

Another factor in reducing the amount of nursing care given by students is the request of the United States Public Health Service that fifty percent of the Senior Nurse Cadet Corps be assigned during their last six months to government services. The number of Senior Cadets thus lost to the Massachusetts General Hospital, just when they have become most competent, varies from month to month. In September it will be 42.

This explains in part why 150 student nurses do not replace 150 graduate nurses. Furthermore, we must consider the inexperience and immaturity of students. Too much responsibility cannot be placed upon their shoulders.

A larger enrollment in the School would be of some help but the number of well qualified applicants is beginning to fall off; an adequate number of teachers and supervisors is not available; our housing facilities for additional students would be inadequate, and the necessary beds to provide medical experience are limited.

There are but two remedies to the present shortage of nursing service; the closing of certain floors of the hospital or the addition of graduate nurses.

We are loath to close floors because of the demand for beds. All units are operating at 94% capacity. All units have long waiting lists, with appointments for six weeks ahead.

The other remedy is to increase the number of graduate floor duty nurses. To be specific,

One floor of the Phillips House had to be closed on July first. Before it can be reopened it will be necessary to provide seven graduate floor duty nurses.

If we are to prevent the closing of a floor at the Baker Memorial and one in the White Building it will be necessary to provide thirteen more graduate floor duty nurses than we now have by September first, twenty-five more than we now have by September twelfth, and thirty-seven more than we now have through October and November.

While a number of part-time nurses will greatly help, they cannot entirely meet the need. There is need for stability, particularly at night, which only a certain percentage of full-time workers can give.

This communication is being sent to all Trustees, members of the Medical Staff, Ladies' Visiting Committee, Advisory Committee to the School of Nursing, and to a group of the Nurses' Alumnae in this area, urging all to make every effort to recruit nurses for service in the Massachusetts General Hospital, particularly during the months of July through November. We hope that by December first the members of the Fall graduating class will be available. By then there should be also less demand from the Army Nurse Corps.

We shall welcome any suggestions that will help us to find the nurses during the next six months.

—N. W. FAXON, M.D., Director

Lt. Col. A. William Reggio (WS 1914) has been put in charge of a newly created department of Physical Medicine for the United States Public Health Service. He has been visiting Marine Hospitals all over the country, studying what already exists and what he thinks should be developed along this line. His recent visit here at the Hospital was to ask for help and guidance, as his responsibilities will necessitate a certain amount of reorganizing and revolutionizing physical therapy and occupational therapy in order to establish a Physical Medicine Service.

Dr. Reggio's present address is 2301 Connecticut Ave., N. W., Washington 8, D. C.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Abbott, Sylvia, Capt.		1931	Army	9th Gen. Hosp., APO 920, San Francisco
Ainsworth, Leah Clark, Lt.		1923	Army	
Allard, Winnifred O., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Allen, Margaret Hazen, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Andrews, Priscilla M., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Armstrong, Katherine, Ens.		1938	Navy	USNTS (F C-D) Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Atto, Kathleen, Lt. Col.		1922	Army	Hotel Marie Antoinette, Broadway at 66th Street, NYC
Ayer, Dorothy, Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Babcock, Grace R., Lt.		1939	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barrett, Ann, Ens.		1943	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho
Barrett, Katherine C., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Goldie, Lt.		1926	Army	A.N.C., N 744468, APO 511 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Rowena, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 72166 (Sq. K 1380th AAF. Bu., Presque Isle, Me.
Batin, Gladys McCracken, Lt.		1933	Army	Mitchell Field, Long Island, NY
Bean, Esther M., Lt.		1934	Army	
Beardwood, Gladys, Lt.		1925	Army	3119 SCN Med. Dept., Camp Edwards, Mass.
Beatham, Sybil, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720-484, 31st Sta. Hosp., APO 502 Postmaster, San Francisco
Beaudette, Laurianne, Lt.		1937	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Becker, Helen Gibbons, Lt.		1933	Army	Cushing Gen. Hosp., Framingham, Mass.
Benedict, Rebecca, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 752929, 54th Gen. Hosp., APO 565 San Francisco, Calif.
Benton, Louise Hollister, Lt.		1933	Army	N 741692, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Benyon, Marion, Lt.		1941	Army	N 751199, 16th Station Hospital, APO 887, Postmaster, NYC
Berg, Aino K., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753211, 221st General Hospital
Binns, Julia, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 742205, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Bitzer, Barbara, Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752070, 16th General Hospital, APO 350 Postmaster, NYC
Blaney, Evelyn M., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster NYC
Blood, Margaret Mahoney, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 741705 8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco, Calif.
Bourne, Constance E., Lt.		1938	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bowers, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 744678, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Boyce, Gula, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 752897, 119 General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Boyle, Rita, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741667, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brandon, Geraldine, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Breault, Muriel R., Ens.		1945	Navy	
Brebbia, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Briggs, Cleora, Lt.		1942	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Britt, Florence, Capt.		1935	Army	
Brooks, Jessie H., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brott, Cynthia, Lt.		1943	Army	

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Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Brown, Louise M., Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Brown, Jessie, Lt.		1943	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bruce, Elaine, Lt.		1943	Army	N 758401 65th Field Hospital, APO 403, Postmaster, NYC
Bruno, Carmela, Lt.		1942	Army	
Buckley, Elizabeth, Ens.		1942	Navy	
Budzyna, Anne H., Lt.		1944	Army	
Burgess, Linda, Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741671 MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Burke, Rita T., Lt.		1945	Army	N 754861 BTC for ANC, Fort Devens, Mass.
Burns, Helen P., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752903, 162 General Hospital, Postmaster NYC APO 514
Butcher, Edith J., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cahill, Ann, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Came, Barbara L., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Canning, Mary A., Capt.		1923	Army	N. 742143, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cape, Jacqueline, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital
Cardinali, Inez, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752638, 262 General Hospital, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Carpenter, Mary L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 744003, 13th Field Hospital, APO 230, NYC
Carr, Kathryn, Lt.		1942	Army	
Cassell, Blair, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Casey, Mary L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Chadbourne, Helen O., Capt.		1932	Army	N. 720839, 10th Evacuation Hospital, APO 923 Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Chrystal, Dorothy M., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 741976, 59th Evacuation Hosp., APO 758, NYC
Clarke, Alice R., Lt.		1939	Army	N. 720016, 33rd Surgical Hospital, APO 923, San Francisco, Calif.
Clark, Edwina Hussey, Lt.		1937	Army	N 720970, 5th General Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Coffey, Eileen, Lt.		1938	Army	N. 720198, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Coggsell, Thelma B., Lt.		1926	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Coghlan, Helen J., Capt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cole, Priscilla M., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Connor, Louise Lunt, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Storey, Virginia
Convelski, Stephanie, Lt.		1933	Army	8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco
Conza, Ermine, Capt.		1920	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Cook, Mary C., Lt.		1937	Army	N 753087, 174th General Hospital, APO 560, Postmaster, NYC
Coolidge, Mary, Lt.		1927	Army	314th Station Hospital, APO 511
Cooper, Jean, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Corcoran, Alice M., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Corthell, Beatrice M., Lt.		1922	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Cox, Christine, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752272, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Crafts, Eleanor B., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741678, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Creasey, Shirley Mansfield, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Cree, Edna, Lt.		1928	Army	

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Crosby, Jean M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Curran, Helen L., Lt.		1938	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Davis, E. Jacqueline, Capt.		1932	Army	N 75118., 303 General Hospital, APO 247, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Davis, Miriam, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Davis, Natalie, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 759376, 3rd Aux. Surgical Group, APO 230, NYC
Dawson, Marjorie, Lt.		1936	Army	Station Hospital, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin
Derwin, Margaret, Lt.		1932	Army	Fort Banks, Winthrop, Massachusetts
DeWolf, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
DiNatale, Bernadette A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Donahue, Josephine, Ens.		1941	Navy	Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts
Dow, Miriam Atwood, Lt.		1924	Army	218th U. S. Army Hospital Ship Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Doyle, Rita, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Drolet, Velma A., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Dufault, Leonille M., Lt.		1936	Army	N 754280, ASF. Personnel Replacement Depot, Fort Jackson, South Carolina
Duffy, Dorothy, Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Duffy, Lelia E., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dumaine, Betty		1926	A.R.C.	AP0 884, New York City
Durning, Virginia, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dwyer, Mary E., Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751594, 5th Gen. Hospital, APO 350, NYC
Eaton, Caroline, Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC C. P. of E., Charlston, S. C.
Ellinwood, Doris, Capt.		1925	Army	209th USAHS "Larkspur", Postmaster, NYC
Emerson, Edna, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Emery, Margaret, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ethier, Mildred, Lt.		1920	Army	N. 721821, 18th General Hospital, APO 689, PM NYC
Eveleth, Annette L., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 742207, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Farley, Grace, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Farrar, Priscilla, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Long Beach, Calif.
Farren, Lucy G., Lt.		1934	Army	142nd General Hospital—N721536 A.P.O. 465 C/o Postmaster, NYC
Finn, Helen L., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758366, 178th Gen. Hosp., APO 17172, Post- master, NYC
Finn, Mary E., Lt.		1939	Army	
Flett, May L., Lt.		1923	Army	N. 758894, 235th General Hospital, APO 772, PM NYC
Forand, Avis L., Lt.		1942	Army	Base Hospital, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Delaware
Forbes, Pauline G., Lt.		1929	Army	Camp Myles Standish, Taunton, Mass.
Ford, Anna, Lt.		1942	Army	
Forgey, Grace Riordan, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 752310, 110th General Hospital, APO 69, Postmaster, NYC
Forrant, Helen A., Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741683 MGH Unit 764, Postmaster, NYC
Fraser, Mary A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Garcia, Norma J., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts

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Gardner, Grace E., Ens.		1932	Navy	Newport Naval Hospital, Newport, R. I.
Gardner, Ruth G., Ens.		1938	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Bloomington, Ind.
Garland, Grace, Lt.		1933	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Gates, Evelyn, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751150, Station Hospital, Lory Field, Colo.
Gedies, Ruth, Lt.		1925	Army	Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Giberti, Florence L., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Gianarakos, Anastasia, Lt.		1941	Army	
Gleichauf, Irene V., Lt.		1945	Army	
Glynn, Eileen, Ens.		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Corona, Calif.
Goethal, Yvonne, Lt.		1939	Army	New Orleans Air Base, New Orleans, La.
Goldthwait, Marjorie, Lt. (j.g.)		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Graham, Helen K., Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Virginia
Gravelle, Jean, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Gredzinski, Helen, Ens.		1940	Navy	Station Hospital, Sampson, N. Y.
Greene, Ardenia Abbott, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Guillemette, Loretta, Lt.		1940	Army	Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.
Gustavsen, Pearl Foss, Lt.		1944	Army	
Haddon, Ruth, Lt.		1939	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Halekas, Garyfallia, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751367, USAHS "C. A. Stafford" E APO 464, Lexington Avenue, NYC
Haley, Blanche, Lt.		1930	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Halladay, Hazel, Capt.		1930	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Hansis, Evelyn, Lt.		1939	Army	N 721945, U. S. S. Mercy, San Francisco Calif.
Hardy, Amanda B., Lt.		1926	Army	62 General Hospital, APO 9648, NYC
Hardy, Nancy, Lt.		1944	Army	
Harling, Elna Marie, Ens.		1934	Navy	
Harlow, Ermelyne O., Lt.		1928	Army	11th Evacuation Hospital, APO 758, NYC
Harris, Winona Meilleur, Lt.		1941	Army	Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia
Harper, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N 787578, A.A.F. Station Hospital, Gulfport Army Air Field, Mississippi
Hart, Ann A., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753194, 221st General Hospital, APO 513, Postmaster, NYC
Hart, Mary Patricia, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Hartnett, Helen F., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 788539, 821st M.A.E.T.S. APO 629, NYC
Hartnett, Marguerite E., Ens.		1943	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Hathaway, Ruth, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Herland, Phyllis G., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Hewit, Helen G., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Hitchings, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Holmes, Isabel, Lt.		1941	Army	
Holmes, Margaret O., Lt.		1939	Army	Waltham Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Holt, Cynthia, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holt, Norma Nesmith, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751477, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Horton, Ruth, Lt.		1941	Army	14th Evac. Hosp., APO 689, PM NYC
Hoyt, Ruth, Ens.		1929	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, Long Beach, Calif.
James, Doris, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Ft. Devans, Mass.
Jarvis, Katherine, Lt.		1940	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Jebens, Winifred Parsons, Lt.		1929	Army	107 (U.S.) General Hospital, A.P.O. 121 B, C/o Postmaster, NYC

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Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Jensen, Barbara, Lt. (j.g.)		1939	Navy	U. S. Fleet, Hospital 113, Geneva, Ave. and Moscow St., San Francisco, Calif.
Jewell, Martha, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741695, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Johnson, Elsie, Lt.		1937	Army	Station Hospital, Fort Adams, R. I.
Johnson, Harriet L., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741696, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC.
Keane, Rita M., Lt.		1936	Army	India
Kearns, Muriel, Ens.		1936	Navy	U.S.N. Hosp., Navy No. 10, FPO San Francisco, California
Kellogg, Violet, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Kerzick, Mildred, Lt.		1934	Army	
Kidder, Virginia D., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Kimball, Martha, Ens.		1941	Navy	U.S.S. "Solace," San Francisco, Calif.
King, Evelyn V., Lt.		1938	Army	N. 741699, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Knapp, Dorothy M., Lt.		1930	Army	Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Knights, Doris, Lt. Col.		1931	Army	N 720156 Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Koziol, Genevieve, Lt.		1943	Army	N 752597, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Krook, Elsie, Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
LaFleur, Marjorie, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Lanouette, Naomi, Lt.		1927	Army	Fort Barrancus, Florida
Lawrence, Ruth, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 741703, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lord, Elizabeth W., Ens.		1932	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Lowney, Carolyn, Lt.		1941	Army	13th Station Hospital, APO 703, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Lyons, Catherine E., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lunt, Lucine M., Lt.		1930	Army	
MacKinnon, Christine A., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacNeill, Hazel W., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacSwain, Mary C., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Madden, Philipmena, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mainiero, Lena, Lt.		1944	Army	B.T.C. SCU 3115, Ft. Devens, Ayer, Mass.
Mather, Jean T., Lt. (j.g.)		1941	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital, No. 105, San Francisco, Calif.
Maxwell, Barbara E., Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
May, Marjorie, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mazzolini, Marion N., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
McCabe, Kathryn Lovejoy, Lt.		1936	Army	
McCormack, Madeline, Ens.		1943	Navy	N. 334792, U. S. Naval Hosp., Chelsea, Mass.
McCullough, Ethel, Lt.,		1937	Army	N. 751616, 181 General Hospital APO 883, NYC
McDonald, Jeannette C., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McDonnell, Frances A., Lt.		1935	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
McDonnell, Rose C., Lt.		1935	Army	N 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC

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McGarry, Catherine, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 721318, Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
McGlynn, Dorothy F., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 787585, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Del.
McKee, Anna A., Lt.		1937	Army	N. 788105, 805th M.A.E.T. Sq. A.A.B., Dunnellon, Florida
McKee, Kathleen Mulvey, Lt.		1921	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McKenzie, Ann, Lt.		1941	Army	
McLellan, Bessie, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741710, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McMorran, Frances, Lt.		1942	Army	AP0 782, Postmaster, NYC
McNees, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	N.796957, Camp Swift N-R-BTC, Texas
McWilliam, Priscilla Bonney Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752957, APO 7986, San Francisco, Calif.
Mears, Ann, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751350, APO 957, 204th General Hospital, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Moles, Dorothy L., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 720928, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Monaghan, Genevieve, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 752270, 29th Field Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Anne E., Lt.		1940	Army	181 General Hospital, APO 883, NYC
Moore, Anna L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Christine H., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741712, 114th Station Hospital, APO 782, NYC
Morris, Lillian Luby, Lt.		1940	Army	
Mosher, Louise G., Lt.		1936	Army	50th General Hospital, Camp Carson, Colo.
Munroe, Barbara, Ens.		1942	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Mulholland, Anna, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Nally, Carolyn M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Nason, Eleanor, Ens.		1942	Navy	U.S.N. Hospital, N.O.B., Norfolk, Va.
Nelson, Earlyne, Lt.		1942	Army	218th U. S. S. Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Nelson, Margaret, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 920356, 15th Evacuation Hospital, APO 464, NYC
Newcomb, Ruth, Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Va.
Nickerson, Dorothy A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Noyes, Elaine S., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
O'Brien, Margaret, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752586, 184th General Hospital, APO 514 NYC
O'Leary, Rita E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Oosting, Minnie, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Osborne, Virginia M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Ottley, Jean, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 721055, 200th Station Hospital, APO 3413, Postmaster, Miami, Florida
Parker, Carolyn A., Lt.		1942	Army	177th General Hospital
Passios, Alexandria, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Pedley, Ruth A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Penniman, Ruth F., Lt.		1926	Army	N. 741982, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pentecost, Claire, Ens.		1940	Navy	District Mailing Center, 14th Naval District, Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco

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Peterson, Barbara R., Lt.	1939	Army	N. 741715, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Phelps, Mavis G., Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Piippo, Regina Arline, Ens.	1941	Navy	
Pitman, Eleanor, Major	1925	Army	12th General Hospital, APO 782, Postmaster, NYC
Plant, Eunice, Lt.	1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pritchard, Anna E., Lt.	1940	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Quinn, Mary, Lt.	1943	Army	N. 752817, 119th General Hospital, APO 314, NYC, N. Y.
Reardon, Mary F., Lt.	1940	Army	N 721930, 812 Med. A.E.T. Sq. APO 953, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Reed, Carolyn Hayward Lt.	1922	Army	Station Hospital, Pine Camp, Watertown, N. Y.
Rein, Rita, Ens.	1934	Navy	Navy 231, Hosp. G 40, FPO PM NYC
Renn, Elsie G., Lt.	1941	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Roberts, Jean, Lt.	1943	Army	N. 752872, 200th Hospital Ship "Complement"
Robichaud, Eliz. Stevens, Lt.	1942	Army	U.S.A. Hospital Ship 'Chateau Thierry,' Postmaster, NYC
Robie, Doris, Lt.	1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Rose, Eunice, Lt.	1929	Army	N. 741719, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ross, Janet, Ens.	1945	Navy	
Ross, Jean Perin, Lt.	1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Russell, Alice G., Lt.	1941	Army	19th General Hospital, APO 518, Postmaster, NYC
Samuelson, Eileen, Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Sarad, Julia, Ens.	1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, El Cantro, Calif.
Sears, Virginia L., Lt.	1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Shaw, Helen D., Lt.	1929	Army	N. 742146, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Sheehan, Mary, Lt.	1943	Army	
Sheldon, Lilla, Lt.	1942	Army	New Station Hosp. Fort Devens, Mass.
Sherer, Louise C., Lt.	1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Simpson, Phyllis L., Ens.	1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Singleton, Mary, Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Slattery, Ethel M., Ens.	1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Sloper, Lucia W., Lt.	1939	Army	
Slovak, Sophia, Lt.	1931	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Smith, Constance, Ens.	1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Smith, Ruth Myers, Lt.	1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Ft. Devens, Mass.
Smith, Phyllis, Ens.	1942	Navy	
Somerville, Barbara, Lt.	1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Southway, Doris Carpenter, Lt.	1922	Army	N. 752036, 16th General Hospital, APO 350
Spillane, Beatrice G., Ens.	1928	Navy	
Staats, Mary H., Ens.	1937	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital 105, FPO, San Francisco, California
Stacey, Eleanor C., Lt.	1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Stanford, Beatrice Belisle, Lt.	1941	Army	Fort Dix, New Jersey
Steele, Marie Elsie, Lt.	1943	Army	
Stevens, Helene Cousins, Capt.	1938	Army	N. 751609, 314th Station Hospital, APO 511, Postmaster, NYC

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Stoney, Dorothy, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 720549, McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas
Sullivan, Helen, Ens.		1941	Navy	Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.
Sullivan, Marion A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Sullivan, Mary Eliz., Lt.		1941	Army	
Sweeney, Mary, Lt.		1941	Army	2nd Station Hospital, APO 920, San Francisco, Calif.
Thibodeau, Ann Louise, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Thigpen, Lorna, Lt.		1943	Army	Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Miss.
Tinkham, Anna L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 741868, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Titus, Madelyn L., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Tolman, Madeline A., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 744520, APO 511, 67th General, NYC
Townsend, Lois, Lt.		1932	Army	N 751257, Billings General Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana
Triggs, Grace, Ens.		1941	Navy	Newport, R. I.
Vandersloot, Rene E., Ens.		1936	Navy	USNC, Box 45, Navy 121, C/o Fleet Post Office, NYC
Waterhouse, Marian, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Welch, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Wentworth, Virginia, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Wheeler, Mary McCarthy, Lt. (j.g.)		1939	Navy	(Resigned)
White, Alice M., Lt.		1930	Army	AP0 845, Postmaster NYC
Whittier, Eva, Lt.		1932	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Wilcox, Chloe D., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilkins, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 721944, 4th Aux. Surg. Group, APO 403 NYC
Willis, Irene E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilson, Margaret E., Ens.		1938	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Wilson, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741980, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Woods, Josephine, Ens.		1936	Navy	USMC, U. S. Naval Hospital, NAB, Norfolk 11, Virginia
Wright, Elizabeth Upton, Lt.		1927	Army	110th General Hospital, England
Wright, Helen Elizabeth, Lt.		1941	Army	Air Base, Miami Beach, Florida
Wrigley, Nellie, Lt.		1939	Army	N 721924, 36 General Hospital, APO 380, Postmaster, NYC
Yancey, Alice, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 3721801, 263 General Hospital, APO 465 NYC
Zagorin, Libby, Lt.		1941	Army	200th Hospital Ship Complement, Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, Long Island, NY

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Engagements

Winifred Holmes (1941) to George F. Griffin, U.S.A., of Smithfield, Pennsylvania.

Marriages

Lt. Kathryn F. Carr (1942, A.N.C., to Lt. Col. Cleve R. Jacobson, E. C., U.S.A., on April 13, 1945, in Wardour Castle Chapel, Tisbury, England.

Mary A. Sullivan (1944) to Joseph E. McNicholas, U.S.A., on June 7, 1945, in Watertown, Massachusetts.

Elizabeth Whitney (1944) to Frederick Woodbury Gray, U. S. Coast Guard Reserve, on June 30, 1945, at her home in Gardner, Massachusetts.

Virginia Ross (1945) to Ensign Frederick Charles Hartwell, U.S.N.R., on July 6, 1945, in the Andover-Newton Theological Seminary Chapel, Newton Center, Massachusetts.

Helen K. Kosella (1941) to Theodore D. Geissendorfer, U. S. Coast Guard, on July 9, 1945, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Lt. Edwina Nelson Hussey (1937) A.N.C., to Earl Morrow Clark, U.S.A., on July 31, 1945, in Nancy, France.

Lt. Louise H. Hollister (1933) A.N.C., to Sargeant David H. Benton, on August 5, 1945, at Dotham, Alabama.

Gertrude M. Moynihan (1942) to Lt. Bruno N. Latici, U.S.A., on September 8, 1945, in the Air Force Chapel of the Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Lt. Lillian Louise Luby (1940) A.N.C., to Lt. Robert Joseph Morris, U.S.A. Dental Corps on September 10, 1945, in Milford, Massachusetts.

Marjorie Elizabeth Chase (1942) to John Alden Cheever, on September 21, 1945, in Park St. Church, Boston, Massachusetts.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Stetson (Mary Alden Cole, 1937) announce the birth of a son, Donald Paul, on April 26, 1945, at the Leonard Morse Hospital, Natick, Massachusetts.

Dr. and Mrs. William N. Mundy (Virginia Hussey, 1942) announce the birth of a daughter, Janet Ann, on June 2, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Terrence M. Burak (Janice G. Evans, 1930) announce the birth of their second daughter, Janice Florence, on July 5, 1945, at the Lenox Hill Hospital, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Frank (Mary V. Norton, 1929) announce the birth of a son, Philip, on July 19, 1945, at Latham, New York.

Dr. and Mrs. John W. D. Garrett (Penelope L. Hutchinson, 1933) announce the birth of a son, James Douglas, on August 3, 1945, at the Richardson House of the Boston Lying-In Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Morse, Jr. (Florence Smith, 1934) announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, on August 28, 1945, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo J. Zilg (Sarah E. N. McCullough, 1935) announce the birth of a son, Paul Frederick, on August 31, 1945, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. Turner (Bernice White, 1942) announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Alden, on September 12, 1945, in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Deaths

MISS ELIZA GRAY

Miss Eliza Gray (1900) died on May 16, 1945, at Newcastle, New Brunswick, Canada. Miss Gray served as an Army Red Cross Nurse with one of the Harvard Units at Camp Mills, New York, during World War I. She was a private duty nurse in Boston for many years.

MRS. HERBERT L. BURRELL

Mrs. Herbert L. Burrell (Caroline W. Caylord, 1892) died on July 4, 1945, in Boston, Massachusetts.

MRS. JOHN WINDSOR

Mrs. John Windsor (Margaret Beckingham, 1885) died on July 22, 1945, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Falconer, in Newcastle, New Brunswick, Canada.

MISS NETTIE L. FISHER

Miss Nettie L. Fisher (1911) died after a long illness on July 28, 1945 in the Wolfeboro Hospital, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.

MISS FLORA E. ROSS

Miss Flora E. Ross (1899) a graduate of McLean Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital, died on August 5, 1945, in Brookline, Massachusetts.

MISS GRACE I. LINSOTT

Miss Grace I. Linscott (1906) died on August 25, 1945, in Nashua, New Hampshire. Miss Linscott, a native of Gloucester, Massachusetts and resident of Boston, was connected with the Veterans' Bureau.

MISS HELEN EDITH NICHOLS

Miss Helen Edith Nichols (1909) died suddenly in her apartment at the Gralyn Hotel, 20 Charlesgate West, Boston, on September 12, 1945. Miss Nichols had done private duty nursing at the Phillips House for many years. A brief memorial service was held in the Hospital Chapel on Thursday, September 27, 1945. The following tribute is submitted by a fellow-worker of Miss Nichols:

"A valued friend has left us. An arduous morning of work left her exhausted and she died in her sleep. A nurse with ideals, her standards were high. She could not brook compromise and enobled the niche which she occupied. Miss Nichols was as typical of New England as the lilacs and as unpretentious. An old graduate whose work and ethics made us known and respected. She has 'fought the good fight and earned peace at last.'"

DR. DAVID LINN EDSALL

Dr. David Linn Edsall, 70, Dean Emeritus of the Harvard Medical School and of the Harvard School of Public Health, died August 12, 1945, at his home, 933 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Massachusetts, following a long illness.

Excerpt from "Boston Herald"

"Dr. Edsall was one of the first-researchers in the country to begin studies in metabolism. He aroused the medical profession to the importance of industrial medicine and frequently was advisor to the Industrial Accident Board. He early predicted the coming of health insurance, declaring in a speech before the Massachusetts Medical Society, 'The day is gone by when a physician who works for a salary is considered a failure.'

"He was once described by Dr. Richard C. Cabot, founder of hospital social service, as the one doctor in the country who best combined 'the scientific and the humanitarian interests.' In 1912, Dr. Edsall was made Jackson professor of clinical medicine at Harvard. He became dean of the Harvard Medical School in 1918 and held this position until his retirement in 1935.

"In 1921, he was made dean also of the Harvard School of Public Health, likewise retiring from this post in 1935. During the early years of this war he was chairman of the medical advisory committee of the American Red Cross.

"Dr. Edsall was graduated from Princeton University in 1890 and from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1893. He practised medicine in Philadelphia, and in 1907 became professor of therapeutics and pharmacology at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School. From 1910 to 1911 he was professor of medicine at the same institution.

"He taught preventive medicine at Washington University, St. Louis, a year before joining Harvard's staff. He was a trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation many years. He belonged to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Association of American Physicians, the American Philosophical Society, the National Research Council and a number of other scientific societies.

"He leaves his wife, three sons, Dr. John Tileston, associate professor of biochemistry at Harvard; Richard Linn and Geoffrey Edsall, acting director of the Massachusetts anti-toxin and vaccine laboratory, Jamaica Plain, and six grandchildren."

DR. HUGH CABOT

Dr. Hugh Cabot, 74, died suddenly on August 15, 1945, from a heart attack while sailing with Mrs. Cabot on Frenchman's Bay near Lemoine, Maine.

He was a noted Boston Surgeon and former Chief Surgeon at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Excerpts from "Boston Herald."

"One-time member of the staff of the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, and former dean of the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. Cabot gained prominence as a specialist in surgery of the genito-urinary tract.

"Born in Beverly Farms, Mass., he was graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1898, and was instructor in surgery at Harvard in 1900. He later became professor of clinical surgery at Harvard before joining the University of Michigan faculty as professor of surgery in 1919.

Always outspoken in his opinions, he once said America must cease 'looking down its nose at Russia merely because we do not like 'socialized' medicine.' At the beginning of World War II, he was named chairman of the Boston committee for Russian war relief.

"An ardent advocate of group practice in medicine, he wrote several magazines asking for budgeted prepayment of the costs of medical care and group practice, to correct what he termed 'antiquated fee system of private medical practice.'

"During World War I, he served with the Harvard University unit in general hospital 22 with the British Expeditionary Force, and held the rank of lieutenant colonel.

"He was an overseer of Harvard College, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons, and the American Surgical Association.

"Dr. Cabot's first wife, the former Mary Anderson Boit, died in 1936. He married Mrs. Elizabeth Cole Amory in 1938.

"Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons, Hugh, Jr., Lt. John Boit Cabot, USNR, and Capt. Arthur T. Cabot, USA, and four grandchildren."

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Haven't you sometimes wished you had pictures of some of the familiar spots in and around M.G.H.—spots such as the Bulfinch stairway and the Ether Dome which would bring fond recollections of days gone by?

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Marjorie J. Cross (1934) wrote on July 7th, from U.N.R.R.A. Training Center, College Park, Maryland, to say that she was now commissioned as an assistant nurse officer in the Public Health Service; this is equivalent to lieutenant in the Army and she wears the Army uniform. After intensive courses and "orientation to the situations we may find in Germany" she expected to be sent overseas any day.

Lt. (j.g.) Mary Staats (1937) N.C.U.S.N.R. is now at the Naval Training School, Naval Dispensary, Chicago, Illinois.

Capt. Marie F. Britt (1935) holds the position of Principal Chief Nurse of the 131st Station Hospital and is stationed in England. She has been in the Army since January, 1943.

Margaret Tibbetts has been appointed Principal of the School of Nursing at McLean Hospital in Waverley.

Mary Cook (1937) writes from somewhere in France; she has visited Paris, Deauville, Granville and Mt. St. Michel.

Margaret O. Holmes (1939) 1st Lt. A.N.C., is now stationed at the Waltham Regional Hospital in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Sympathy is extended to 1st Lt. Julia Binns, A.N.C., 6th General Hospital on the death of her father in February.

Hazel A. Goff (1917) arrived in February at her destination in Lisbon, Portugal, at the Escola Tecnica de Enfermeiras. She crossed the Atlantic in a small boat, crowded with passengers of many nationalities, and experienced storms and heavy seas which caused even dining room tables to be overturned. She is very comfortably housed at the School but when she wrote was suffering from the intense cold of winter. "The order and cleanliness are without exception, unique in anything I have ever witnessed in all my travels. At least there is a good basis on which to build nursing."

Capt. E. Jacqueline Davis (1932) of the 303rd General Hospital sends a change of address from Camp Shelby, Mississippi to c/o Postmaster, San Francisco. The latest news tells us she is on Saipan, one of the Marianas Islands in the South Pacific.

Captain Alice R. Clark, A. N. C. (1939) is on duty with the office of the director of nursing for the Southwest Pacific Area as chief of the Public Relations Section for the Nursing Division. Her assignment has taken her to both the New Guinea and the Philippine battle fronts in covering the news of the Army nurses who are on duty with medical installations all over the Southwest Pacific Area. Further details of this assignment may be found in the most interesting article by Miss Clarke in the last copy of the American Journal of Nursing.

Miss Edna L. Fritz, graduate of Russell Sage College School of Nursing in association with Albany Hospital, has been appointed as Instructor in Nursing Education at Boston University and Coordinating Supervisor of Field Work Activities at the Massachusetts General Hospital. At the hospital she holds the position of Supervisor of Clinical Instruction. She will carry on the teaching formerly carried by Miss Reiter.

The new pediatric supervisor, appointed July 1, 1945, is Mrs. J. William Littler (Helen Cunningham), a graduate of Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing.

During the period of summer vacations, several student nurses, both cadets and non-cadets, have served their senior supervised practice periods in the hospital as substitute head nurses or assistant head nurses. Other seniors are assistants in the Nursing Arts and Science Departments.

Hilda Batchelder, Western Reserve University School of Nursing, has been appointed Assistant Instructor in Science, starting her new duties July 1, 1945.

On Monday, August 27, 1945, one floor in the White Building and one floor in Baker, were closed. It was known that due to a shortage of nursing service there would be this period when it would not be possible to give adequate care with all wards open.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Walter S. Davies (Martha Kurtz, 1923) on the sudden death of her husband. Mrs. Davies

resides at Los Gatos, California, Route 2, Box 23-B and is doing school nursing.

Word has recently been received from West China that Emeline Bowne (1920) had successfully passed the crisis of Typhus Fever and making a slow recovery for which we are all thankful. She is being cared for by two very dear friends in Kunming, Yunon, China.

Mrs. S. Selmer Olsen (Tordis A. Gaarder, 1919) wrote in May from Jorpeland, Norway, that she and her family were all well and so happy the War was ended. "We cannot quite realize it yet. These years have been hard, but I am one of the fortunate, to have all members of the family well and true Norsemen. I am thin as a nail. My daughter is now a graduate nurse, and working in a small hospital on the West Coast. When our house was searched by 16 gestapos last year they took all my dear letters from Miss McCrae, but returned them the next day, as harmless."

Mrs. Freeman C. Eaton (Sadie I. Tibbets, 1931) is doing floor duty at the Phillips House.

Mrs. Harold Dapson (Laura Durkee, 1931) has been doing volunteer duty with the Visiting Nurse Association, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

The Misses Margaret S. Arey, Miriam and Anne Huggard, Mary Macdonald, Mrs. May Holly Hazard and Mrs. Anne Lyons Twomey, all members of the Class of 1931, entertained Miss McCrae at dinner in the Abner Wheeler House, Framingham, Massachusetts, last August. A happy time was enjoyed by all.

Miss Effie M. Inch (1900) was a patient on Bulfinch 3, for a short period for study, last August.

Miss Myral M. Sutherland (1900) Instructor of Nursing Aides, Pasadena, California, spent her vacation in the East visiting in Cambridge, New York, Portage, Maine, and called on friends in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard B. Laird (Harriet O. Harris, 1928) and family have moved from Holden, Massachusetts, to Hudson.

After September 1st, they were at home to friends at 25 Brook Road, the "house of our dreams."

Eva S. Waldron (1911) Director of the Visiting Nurse Association in Springfield, Massachusetts, was elected President of the Massachusetts State Nurses Association at the October meeting. Three other M.G.H.'ers hold office.

Sympathy is extended to Louise S. Zutter (1913) on the death of her mother on July 2, 1945 at Bartlett Crescent, Brookline, Massachusetts.

We are glad to welcome Doris Knights (1931) Chief Nurse of the 6th General Hospital, back to the United States after twenty-nine months service in the European theatre of War in Africa and Italy. She has been promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel and on August thirtieth became Chief Nurse of the Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

Katherine E. Faville (1921) has been appointed Dean of the College of Nursing at Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan. The University is soon to start a big building project and has an enrollment of 12,000.

"A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Columbia University, and the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing, Miss Faville is now chairman of the Committee on Guidance of the National Nursing Council for War Service. She is the author of many articles which have appeared in technical journals and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

"Her professional experience includes work in public health with the American Red Cross and an instructorship in public health nursing at Columbia University. She has also been associate dean of the School of Nursing at Western Reserve University and Director of the Henry Street Visiting Nurses, New York City.

"Miss Faville came to Wayne in March, 1944, as chairman of the department of nursing and was made acting dean when the College of Nursing was created in October of last year. From 1930 to 1934 she was chairman of the department of nursing in the College of the City of Detroit, forerunner of the present Wayne University College of Liberal Arts. She resides at 7465 Bryon."

Mary L. McKenna (1896) writes from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, of her experiences during the explosions in Halifax last

July. "We the people of Dartmouth have had a nerve racking experience due to terrific intermittent explosions of a powder magazine at the outer end of town. The first explosion began about 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 13th and we were ordered out of our houses and sat in the open until 3 a.m. Thursday. My sister and I thought that all was over, returned home and laid down as we were in need of rest, when at 4 a.m. a second explosion took place, we again took refuge on the street. An officer appeared and we were ordered to the Air Force field in an Army Truck and arrived there at about 5 a.m., early dawn. We were made as comfortable as possible. Hot coffee and sandwiches were served all day. At 4:30 p.m., July 15th, came the glad news that we could return home! Well, it was an unusual experience (barring the explosion in the harbor in 1917). We met all sorts and conditions of people and were able to study their reactions to the bombing. It was heartening to see such kindness shown by the service men, and others who did everything possible for everybody and even secured a washing machine for the mothers with children whose homes were probably wrecked. It was said that several new babies arrived in the excitement. Everything was intact in our home with the exception of one large and one small window. Although very nervously tired, we are thankful to again feel safe, at the same time we were given some realization of what the people overseas had suffered the last five or six years."

Mrs. Frederick W. Blood (Marian A. Mahoney, 1936) is now living at 1218 Elmwood Avenue, Stockton, California. Her husband, Lt. Blood, is stationed at the Naval Aviation Supply Depot.

Mrs. Frederick R. Larkin (Ruth E. Hamilton, 1919) has moved from Windsor, Ontario, to 32 Jefferson Boulevard, Riverside, Ontario.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. C. Field Worthen (Anna Russell Noon, 1919) on the death of her husband, Dr. Clarence F. Worthen, Ophthalmologist, on August 22, 1945.

On August 31, 1945, Marion Fuller (1915) Healey, heard through the State Department that her husband, Roy Healey, had been found alive and had been released as a prisoner of

War. He was captured soon after Pearl Harbor. He has been separated from his family for over four years. Marion is living in New Caanan, Connecticut, and is teaching in the County Day School. Elaine, the eldest daughter, a Japanese linguist for the U. S. Government, is in Washington, D. C., awaiting the return of her husband, a West Point Graduate from India. Janet, a student enrolled at Smith College, is taking her junior year at the University of California, while Ruth Ann has just entered Northfield.

Nancy Fraser (1914) assumed her nursing duties the first of September after spending several weeks as a patient on the Orthopedic Ward under the care of Dr. Smith-Peterson.

We are sorry to hear that Helen Lade's (1918) brother, who was a prisoner of war in Manila, died last December following American bombing on the boat on which he was confined.

In September Hazel R. Gammon (1916) assumed her duties as Practical Arts Instructor at the Melrose Hospital, Melrose, Massachusetts.

Ethel M. Matheson (1922) one of the successful private duty nurses of the Phillips House, returned to Boston in October, for a short vacation and enjoyed meeting old friends. Miss Mathe-son has been at home in Nova Scotia the past two years, caring for her invalid mother.

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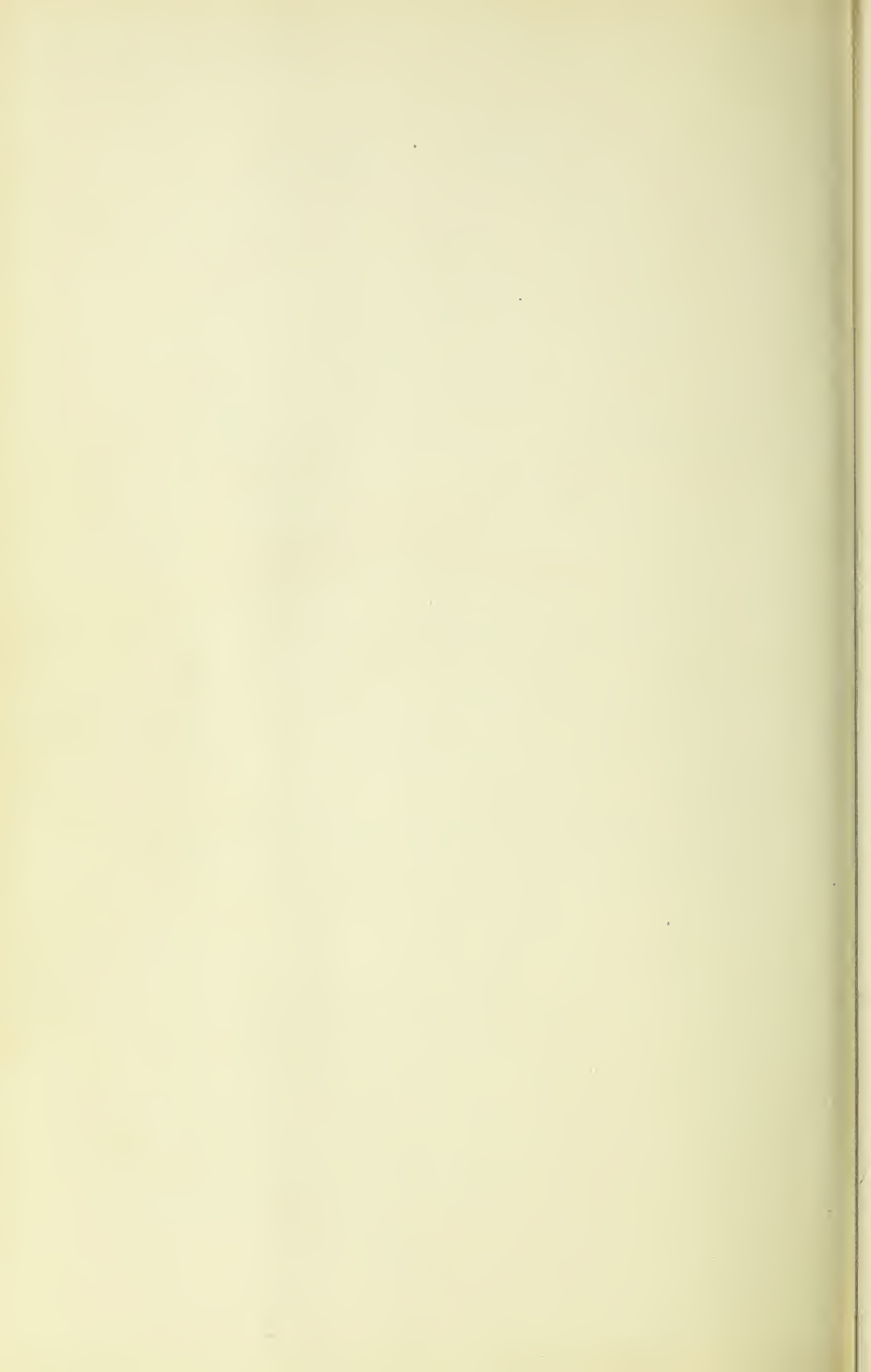
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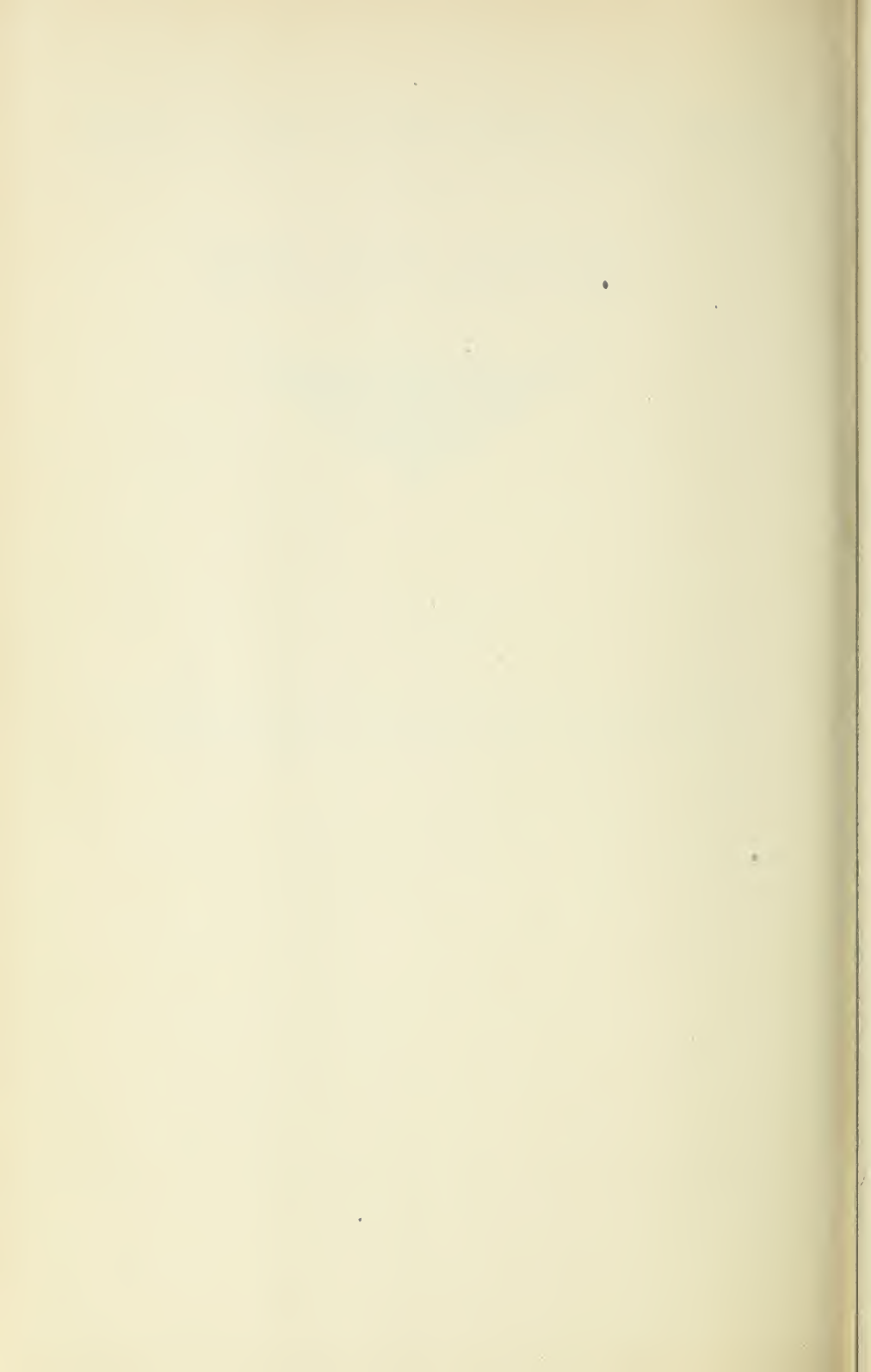
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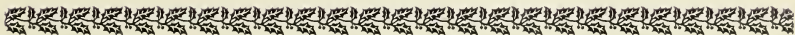
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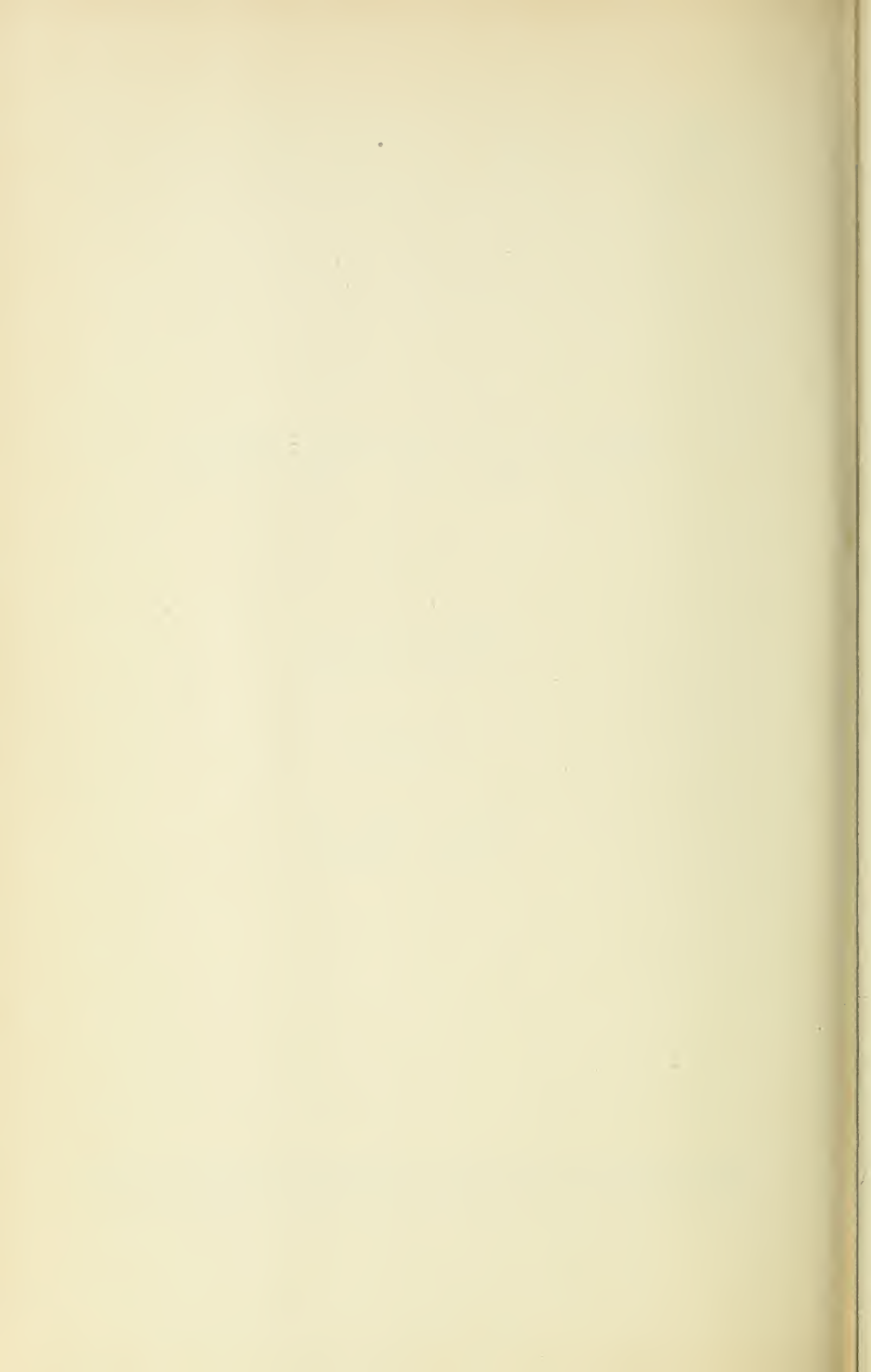
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A Christmas Prayer

By ROBERT LEWIS STEVENSON

HELP us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the Angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the Wise Men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing that Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be Thy children and the Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake.

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In order to conform to the new policy, it has been necessary to amend the By-Laws of the Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association. These amendments were adopted by unanimous vote at the regular meeting of the association held October 29, 1945 and provide the following:

1. Hereafter there shall be only one class of membership in the association (the terms Resident, Associate and Non Resident are abolished).
2. The annual dues shall be \$3.00 per capita.

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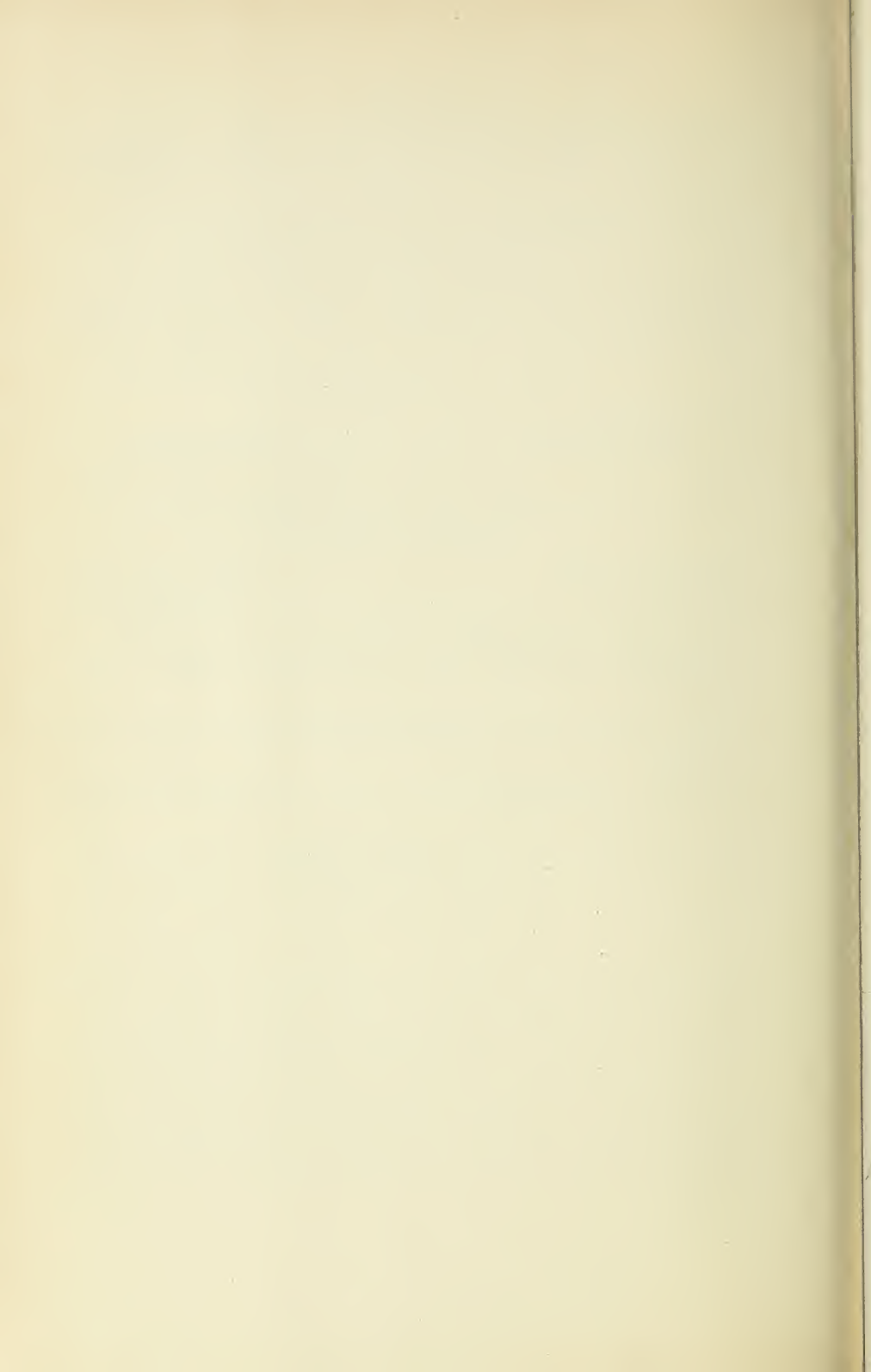
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Henry Van Dyke

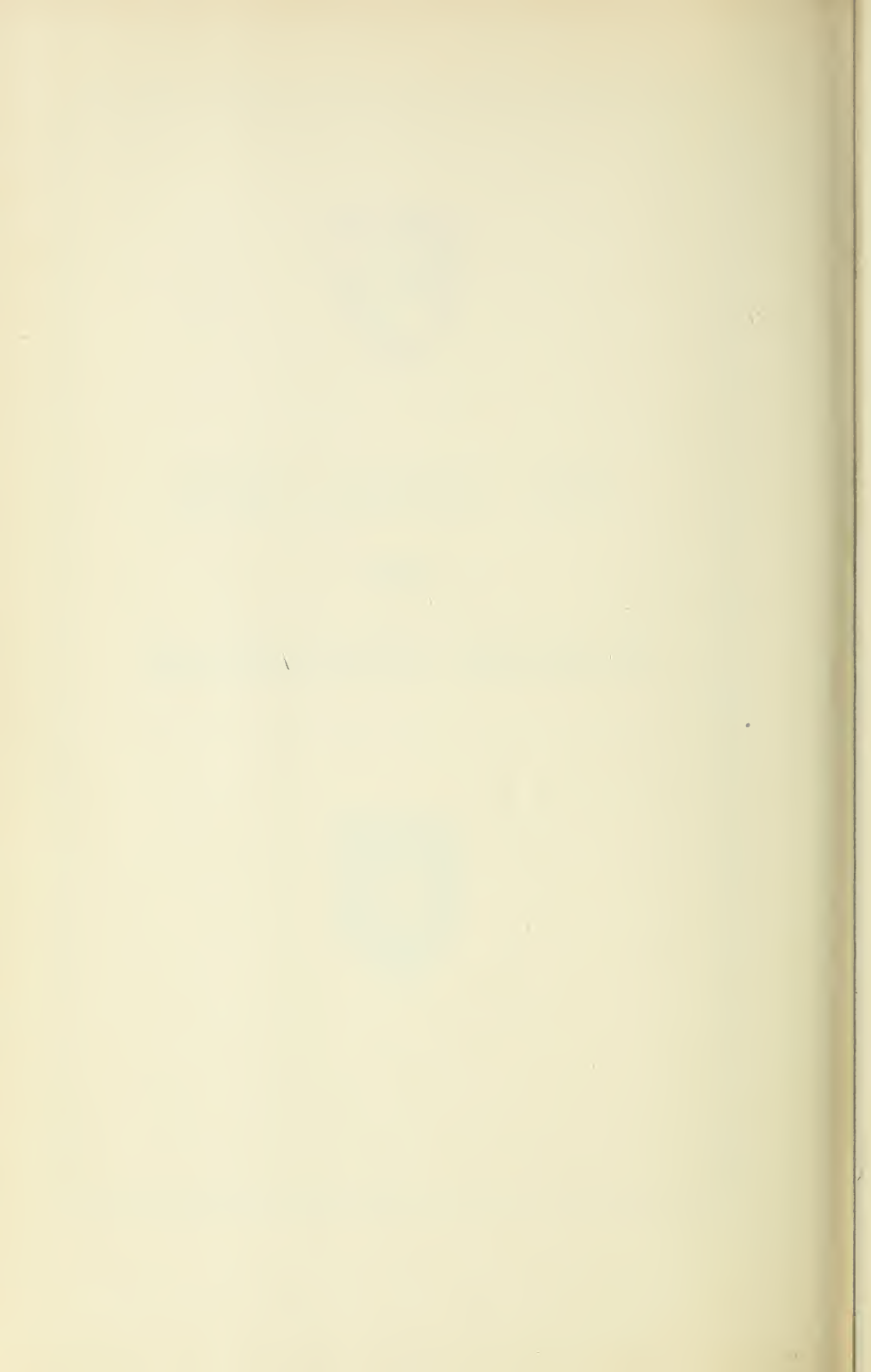
To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors—these are little guide-posts on the footpath to peace.





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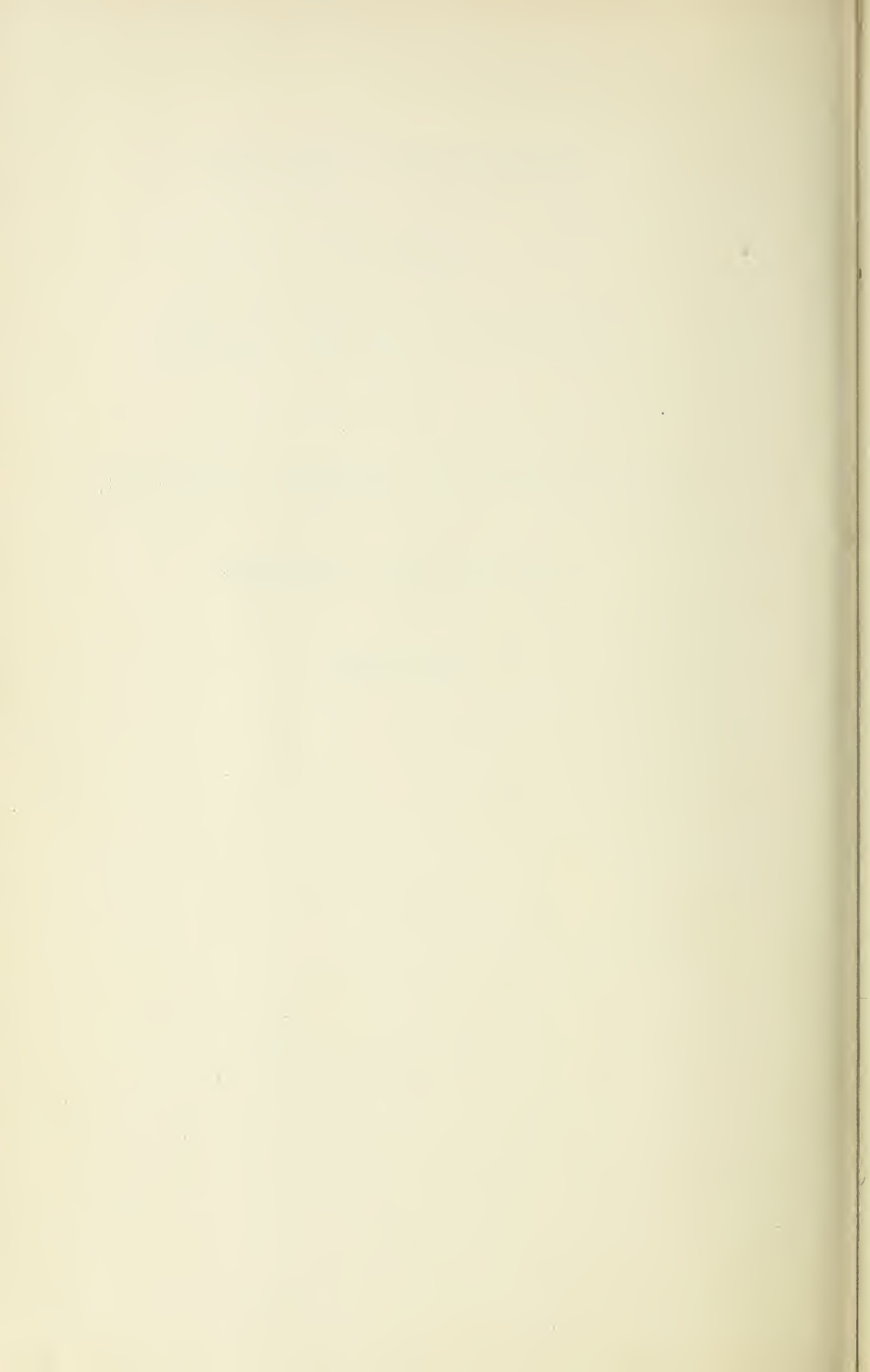
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NURSING AS A PROFESSION

The profession of nursing today plays an important rôle in the health program of the nation. The young woman interested in the care of the sick and the promotion of health will find opportunities as a nurse and health worker in hospitals and health centers, homes and schools, great city industries and widely scattered rural communities. She may participate in medical research and nursing and health studies; she may teach in schools of nursing; she may find opportunities in the administration of community health services, hospital nursing services, and schools of nursing.

The demands of a career in nursing increasingly require more educational preparation for the nurse who is to keep pace with advances in medical science. The nurse, like other workers in the health field, needs a broad general education in addition to a sound professional education. Such preparation requires a college program which will give the student both full scope for her intellectual interests and the opportunity to develop an awareness of her social responsibility as a citizen. It also demands a nursing program which offers instruction and experience abreast of the newest developments and sound practices in nursing education and medical science.

Radcliffe College and the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing have undertaken to offer a coördinated plan providing this combined liberal arts and professional training. They wish to find, through a nation-wide search, a group of young women who can meet fairly rigorous requirements of physical and emotional maturity, who enjoy qualities of leadership, and who possess a sense of dedication to a great profession. Only those who possess these qualities can possibly embark on this program, which proposes a course at once demanding and highly stimulating.

The unique quality in the plan evolved by Radcliffe College and the School of Nursing is that it attempts to provide for a student who has already chosen her vocation a well-rounded liberal education, to which is imparted the stimulus of a professional goal. It is the confident expectation that both the liberal arts and the professional training will be strengthened by this intermeshing program of education. This is a pioneering step, taken in the conviction that the rôle played by women as nurses can be immeasurably enhanced by opening to them the whole range of liberal arts.

THE TWO INSTITUTIONS

Radcliffe is the Women's College affiliated with Harvard University, whose faculty has the responsibility of giving at Radcliffe precisely the same instruction and course offering provided by Harvard for its own students. Radcliffe requirements for admission and for degrees are the same as those of Harvard College. The methods of instruction employed at Harvard, including the tutorial system and the general examination, are employed also at Radcliffe; and the diploma which the Radcliffe senior receives at Commencement bears the signatures of the Presidents of both Radcliffe College and Harvard University. The Radcliffe undergraduate student body is limited to 800 in number. Since it is a truly national college, these students are drawn from all parts of the United States and, indeed, from many foreign countries.

The Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing, enjoying similar prestige in its field, is eminently prepared to offer a professional education. Founded in 1873, it is one of the first three schools in America to follow the plan formulated by Florence Nightingale about 1860 for the broad education of qualified women in the field of nursing and health service. Today the School has graduated over 3,300 nurses, who have worked in every state in this country, and in almost every other country in the world. The majority of these nurses have made their contributions by providing the nursing care needed for the recovery of the sick or injured, and by teaching health maintenance. In addition, many of the graduates have occupied positions of leadership in administration, education, and public health.

The Massachusetts General Hospital is the oldest hospital in New England and the third oldest private hospital in the United States. For over a century members of the faculty of the Harvard Medical School have served on the medical staff of the Hospital, among them many pioneers in medical science. Pioneering in medical research continues, and distinguished doctors care for patients in the various divisions of the Hospital today. Many of these same doctors assist with the instruction of the nurses. The anniversary every October of the first public demonstration of ether anesthesia in this hospital in 1846 also recalls the many advances in medical science initiated here. In addition to Medical and Surgical Staffs are the Departments of Anesthesia, Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Pathology, Phy-

siotherapy, Radiology, and Social Service. Hospital Social Service as it is now conceived originated at the Massachusetts General Hospital. From the staffs of these departments, too, come instructors for student and graduate nurses.

Radcliffe and Harvard are on one bank of the Charles River in Cambridge and the Massachusetts General Hospital is on the other bank of the Charles, a very few minutes by direct subway from the College. Both institutions possess not only the advantages arising from a metropolitan location which has much to offer in art, music, and the theater, but also easy accessibility to the cultural and recreational resources of New England. At the College students have the opportunity to enjoy all kinds of sports. They may choose among more than twenty clubs representing a variety of extra-curricular interests. Moreover, there is open to them a normal social life made possible by the university setting. At the School of Nursing students also may take part in activities planned by the Student Nurses' Coöperative Association. Boating on the Charles and swimming at a nearby pool are among the favorite sports.

For the first three and one-half years of her course, the student will live at Radcliffe, being in every sense a full member of the Radcliffe student body. The halls of residence and the physical plant of the College are fully described in the Radcliffe College catalogue. For the last two years, the student will live at the School of Nursing, in one of the student residences. In this way she will have participated completely in the intimate life of both institutions. Throughout the program there will be interlocking committees from both the College and the School of Nursing to supervise all phases of its working.

GENERAL PLAN

Candidates who are accepted for this program may choose freely among the twenty-nine undergraduate fields of concentration offered by Radcliffe College, and will complete all requirement for the Radcliffe A.B. or S.B. degree. No preprofessional courses which might in any way limit the breadth of general education will be included in the college course, and no college credit will be given for work taken at the School of Nursing. On the other hand, no relaxation in standards will be made by the School of Nursing, and those completing the course will have satisfied the requirements for the R.N. The following is an outline of the general plan of the program, which, although continuous, contains provision for substantial vacations.

**PLAN FOR THE COÖRDINATED PROGRAM LEADING TO A
RADCLIFFE COLLEGE DEGREE AND A
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING DIPLOMA**

FIRST YEAR

	<i>Fall Term</i>	<i>Spring Term</i>	<i>Summer Term</i>
Radcliffe	4 courses including Chemistry if possible	Same as Fall	
M. G. H.	3 hours per week — Orientation	Same as Fall	8 weeks—Principles of Nursing; Nutrition; Introduction to Nursing Practice.

(No preparation to be required for Orientation at M.G.H. during winter and spring terms).

SECOND YEAR

	<i>Fall Term</i>	<i>Spring Term</i>	<i>Summer Term</i>
Radcliffe	3 courses	Same as winter	2 courses
M. G. H.	6 hours per week — Applied Chemistry	Same as winter — Applied Anatomy	

(Courses at M.G.H. to require 6 hours preparation per week)

THIRD YEAR

	<i>Fall Term</i>	<i>Spring Term</i>	<i>Summer Term</i>
Radcliffe	3 courses	Same as winter	2 courses
M. G. H.	6 hours per week — Applied Physiology	4 hours per week — Applied Microbiology; 2 hours per week — Psychological and Sociological Problems in Nursing	

(Courses at M.G.H. to require 6 hours preparation per week)

FOURTH YEAR

	<i>Fall Term</i>	<i>February thru August</i>
Radcliffe	4 half courses (Degree requirements completed)	
M. G. H.		Principles of Nursing; Medicine and Surgery; Materia Medica; Diet Therapy; Social and Health Aspects of Disease; History of Nursing; Professional Adjustments. 10 weeks—Surgical Nursing Assignment 4 weeks—Therapeutic Diet Kitchen 12 weeks—Medical Nursing Assignment including Out-Patient Department 4 weeks—Vacation

FIFTH YEAR			
	<i>September thru January</i>	<i>February thru May</i>	<i>June thru August</i>
M. G. H.	Professional Adjustments: Nursing in Surgical Specialties — Orthopedics, Urology, Neurology; Mental Nursing—Psychiatry. 8 weeks — Operating Room Assignment. 8 weeks — Orthopedic, Urological, Neurological Assignment. 8 weeks—Psychiatric Assignment.	Affiliation: Boston Lying-In Hospital 3 months — Obstetrical Assignment 4 weeks — Vacation	Professional Adjustments: Nursing of Children, Child Growth and Development. Pediatrics. 12 weeks—Pediatric Assignment including Nursery School.
SIXTH YEAR			
	<i>September thru January</i>		
M. G. H.	Affiliation: Boston Visiting Nurse Association 2 months—Nursing and Health Service in the Family and Community 3 months—Advanced Nursing Problems; Senior Duty Medical and Surgical (Diploma requirements completed)		

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

Applicants must meet all entrance requirements of Radcliffe College, and must as well satisfy the School of Nursing that they possess the special personal and health qualifications requisite to nursing. All applicants must have a high school diploma and a good school record, and must take the Scholastic Aptitude Test and the three Achievement Tests given by the College Entrance Examination Board. Full details of the entrance requirements and procedures will be found in the Radcliffe College catalogue, which will be sent upon request. Although application for admission must be made to Radcliffe College, a joint Admissions Committee from Radcliffe and the School of Nursing will act upon the applications. Further information about the nursing program may be secured from the School of Nursing.

Application forms for admission to both institutions may be procured by writing to the Committee on Admissions, Radcliffe College. A personal interview both at Radcliffe and at the Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing will be required of all applicants living within a reasonable distance of Boston. When possible, arrangements will be made for applicants from distant sections of the country to have personal interviews with alumnae representatives of both institutions.

TUITION AND FEES

During the college years, the student will pay the regular fees to the College as announced in the Radcliffe College catalogue. Tuition and fees for the School of Nursing amount to a total of approximately \$500.00 for the five and one-half years.

FINANCIAL AID

The Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital are prepared to offer scholarships and loans to applicants and to enrolled students who qualify for financial aid. Candidates for the combined program may also apply for Radcliffe scholarships, which are awarded, normally after the first year, on the basis of need and academic excellence. A limited number of scholarships is, however, available for the freshman class.

Application for scholarships from either the Massachusetts General Hospital or Radcliffe should be made on the form provided by Radcliffe, and sent to the Radcliffe Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships. A joint committee from both institutions will act on the request for scholarships and loans.

The Radcliffe catalogue, application blanks, and information on admission may be secured from the Director of admissions, Radcliffe College, Cambridge 38, Massachusetts.

The School of Nursing catalogue and information on the nursing program may be secured from the School of Nursing, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston 14, Massachusetts.

**BOOKS GIVE KEY TO OUR PRESENT DIFFICULTIES.
CHART FOR FUTURE**

By ALICE DIXON BOND

Literary Editor of The Herald

For the first time in four years the lights are shining again with radiant brightness throughout the world. Yet as they send their gleam into the dark places, where the golden hopes of men have lain so long neglected, they illumine corners where doubts and hatred still linger; spots where greed, arrogance and error continue to hold their pitiless sway. And the sober knowledge is borne in upon us that, if the vow that those lights shall never again be dimmed, is to become fact, we, as individuals and as nations, must accept the responsibility which is rightfully ours. It is we who must win the peace, we who must outlaw war.

The life which each of us lives, and which influences those around us, is the life within the limits of our own thinking.

It is obvious, therefore, that that thinking must widen out; that it must reach beyond the personal to the universal, and recognize the equality, the brotherhood and the common purposes of man, if the peoples of the world are to be carried forward on the tide of history rather than left prostrate in the sluggish backwaters of ignorance, defeatism, bigotry and fear. Tyrants have always feared thought so they have sought to blind it with their bans and their false dogmas, to stultify it with ignorance, and fill it with the screaming voice of prejudice.

But ours is the right of the mind's freedom and there is no place which is closed to us who seek knowledge. If we fail now the fault will lie in us, not in our stars. For guidance we may look to the great books of the past and from them weigh the record of man's struggles and his accomplishments, his aspirations and his fears. They will give us a key to our present difficulties, a chart for the shadowy future. Into those books, as in similar volumes of the present, have gone the spacious thoughts of men keen enough to see beyond their times and wise enough to find the meaning behind the confusion of their day. In books we may watch the ideas which have changed the path of history; processed and passed from generation to generation until "a candle of understanding" is lit in our hearts.

Neither Rome nor a world can be built in a day, but we have in our libraries the tools which will help us, in time, to achieve a new earth built on the dignity and equality of men. Nearly thirty years ago Woodrow Wilson wrote: "Only a peace

between equals can last; only a peace the very principle of which is equality and a common participation in common benefit." Today individuals and nations acknowledge the justness and truth of his thought.

August 15, 1945

Escellentissamas
Senhoras!

Escola Tecnica
de Enfermeiras,
Palhava, Lisbon, Portugal

My dream was to get this letter off to you before June 1st and my regrets at failure have doubled since learning that it took the first one four months to reach the USA. Many thanks to you all who sent air mail answers for I was beginning to think I had been erased from your slates. Your letters cheered me greatly when most needed and were indeed welcome.

To those who did not get the first letter my explanation is that my address book, confided to the tender mercies of the U.S. Customs and transfer officers never reached me until August 1st. Furthermore, I miscalculated the extent of my correspondence and did not make enough copies. Forgive me. Better luck next time.

Now for this new domain which I promised to describe. It is a small school with some rather progressive ideas but in nursing practice is extremely weak. Doubtless that is the reason for my presence at this time.

Nursing in this land just "isn't", although there are about 1800 so-called nurses appointed to care for the 18,500 patients which the hospitals accommodate, aided by 1250 doctors. This School, organized in 1940, has augmented that number with 26 professional nurses. There is scarcely a flicker of interest in patients, otherwise than as clinical material, and even a semblance of either surgical or medical technic as we understand it, is but a gesture usually with an alcohol swab. This is where we start from but the road to change will be long and rough for the governmental requirement is passivity and after all why change things which have been so satisfactory for 200 years.

Were you not aware that mahogany veneer is more brilliant than solid oak? A social revolution is the only thing which will make any impression and I can but sow a few seeds, hoping they may have strong roots when that day comes. The bright spot on this arid horizon is the response of our students and they have made more real change than they are aware of.

Six months ago they were sauntering on duty after 9:00 A.M., were not responsible for the nursing on any service for more than eight hours, had no night duty, all week ends free and over fifteen weeks holidays yearly, no male services, had meals taken to them in the hospital and specially served. They worked so little that they needed only two uniforms and six aprons with an indifferent laundry service. They had a week to study before examinations, took novels and knitting to class. In general life was pretty rosy but they were discontented and critical.

Those days have ended. We control our selected services for twenty four hours, we have night duty and the men patients adore us, we eat the same food we give our patients (although we do not always like it). We get up in the dark and finish breakfast to take the 6:20 A.M. car to the hospital and we work hard and love it. We come home weary but after an hour we can giggle endlessly at the funny things which have happened during the day. Our vacations have been cut to ten weeks and we take our days off at the convenience of the service. There is no longer time for knitting or novels during classes, even though the lecturer is a bore, for our nurse sponser gives us other work to keep us busy. We take our examinations at any hour, any day since that is the role of a nurse to be ready at all times for emergencies. We know we have a long way to go, much to do and few to do it but we have the courage and enthusiasm to give this work a fair trial for we have finally heard the whispered thanks of the grateful poor man and the little peasant grandmother and it was new and fascinating music in our ears. (This is true not the romancing of a fond mother).

Our School is small, only built for forty-seven students and this past year there were but thirty-five, although nine graduates, working in the hospital, lived here too. This very modern, attractive building was completed in January 1944. It is a buff, stucco structure in the park of the Institute of Cancer, and a model seven story hospital is being built beside it to house 250 patients. The 5th floor has a roof terrace, a play room and a well equipped gymnasium. In the yard there is a volley ball

court. The walls through out the building are rough cream tinted plaster and most of the wood work is painted the same color. Large casement windows, with ventilator tops and outside, metal Venetian blinds (which work) protect us from the elements. The floors are half inch strips of wood the size of a brick, set in a cement like foundation in patterns and waxed. Most attractive. There is central heating with oil and the radiators do get luke warm at times. However, I discovered there were only wooden shutters on the 5th floor so we have been heating most of the Palhava. The profusion of showers, baths, toilets and kitchens are finished in terrazzo. The front hall is black and white marble. There is a central stair-well and elevator or rather "lift" which performs that rite usually although it is temperamental at the wrong times and barks protest.

The ground floor has, besides three offices and a small informal sitting room, large double salons beautifully furnished in blues and reds and gold with mahogany furniture and a large grand piano. The dining room is spacious with tables for six, always flowers, colored table mats and excellent maid service. Food is good but monotonous. Even a New Englander has trouble meeting codfish five times a week. Plenty of salad and always fruit for desert helps keep up the vitamine requirement. The kitchens are wonderful for here and our cook is excellent. The Diet Laboratory equipped for ten students is on the same floor and would make many of you envious I know. There is much to be done in that field in the land of the original bean and the cod.

On the first floor (European) are two excellent lecture rooms which can be made into one, with good anatomy models, charts and skeletons. A very well equipped chemistry and microbiology laboratory combined is annexed. There is a five bed nursing arts laboratory, with models from the University Hospitals, Cleveland, including over-bed tables and long ruffled yellow bedspreads. It makes a pleasing background for Mary Chase and her daughter who have become Maria and Ana de Brito. However, for contrast one might see the equipment in a nearby hospital where there are 300 cases of typhoid at this moment I am told by the professor. We are majoring in good nursing care with little equipment and much good sense during the year 1945 and 1946! There is a nice little library and study room, with over 200 books chiefly in English, French and Spanish as few medical books are published in Portuguese. There will be some in this language for nursing in another year.

There is also a small health office for the school physician and a two-bed room with private bath for sick students.

The remainder of this floor is given over to the quarters of the Director, Asst. Director and Residence Director with some rooms for nurses. The other floors have only nurses' rooms with a small kitchenette on each floor and a pressing room. All students have single rooms with a closet and full length mirror. Each room has an alcove curtained off and equipped with wash basin, shelf, mirror and bidet. Rooms are furnished with a bed couch, desk, four drawer chest, upholstered easy chair, a straight chair and floor lamp. The furniture is blond, plane-tree wood and the upholstery and rugs buff and brown—all very harmonious and attractive.

We are located about twenty minutes from the center of town, which is uphill and downhill on a meandering, swerving street car. The immediate surroundings are not attractive but good apartment houses seem to be sprouting up in this direction. On the brow of one hill rises the State Penitentiary and over the other a Marconi Station with a part of an ancient aqueduct between. Through the valley in the distance, on clear days, one can see Sintra, with its old castles. A screechy train runs behind us emitting a great noise and a bad smell but it is out of sight. A short distance away is the Zoo which has beautiful gardens and the display is well organized. Often we hear lions vocalizing vainly in the moonlight. We have our private zoo too, for temporarily the twenty-five laboratory monkeys are housed within a few yards of the School. I had them shut off from view, as their antics attracted too much attention, and in protest they try to scream me down when having class. They often win the contest. When construction is finished this will be a nice park but meantime it is rather messy and this year dusty as we have had practically no rain since my arrival and the crops are suffering sadly.

Personnel—well I have repeated a stunt I vowed never to be guilty of again, i.e. doing a piece of organization work where I did not know the language or have adequate assistance. The fact I have always had a good interpreter and at least one person who knew what good nursing was, gave me the courage to tackle this perhaps. Here neither has been available and I was thrust into such need for immediate action, there has been little time for language. However, I did startle them by giving a brief talk at Graduation on July 31st. You see my courage

(or nerve) has not entirely evaporated. Officially, on arrival I had one instructor, a young graduate of last year, who understood some English with difficulty and her conception of nursing extremely limited. She has done very well however and developed some useful ability. There were three part-time instructors, who gave some classes and two knew English and came to the School to give their courses. One, Sra. Maria Palmira had been at Western Reserve but is in charge of the Health Center so has no time, the other, Sra. Fernanda, graduate of '43 is in charge of the Pediatric Hospital. The third who knows a little French is in charge of the Institute of Cancer. I should be interested to know what some of you experienced people would have done under the circumstances. Anyway we have come through, made up all the classes missed last year and taught some subjects not previously given and in two weeks our second year students will have finished their formal class work and be ready, after vacation, for intensive practice all next year.

We have no hospitals or services of our own, except for preliminary practice in the Institute of Cancer, hence affiliations have to be made for everything and they have not previously had full time supervisors in all services. This we are organizing now and making permanent services which will function the year around.

I am hoping to get our best choice for director to the USA this year. Shall take on a 1945 graduate to prepare as nursing arts instructor and have already developed two older graduates so they can **handle** with much guidance the medical and obstetrical services. Have also persuaded them to appoint another 1945 graduate to be prepared as an assistant in the Health Center so our students will no longer be left to the health visitors for instruction and I am taking on two of the latter "to train".

Finally got the diplomas printed and distributed on July 31st under the smiling approval of the Ministry of Education, which supports the School. The Rector of the University gave the Graduation address and the benevolent acclaim of the U.S. Ambassador made the President of the School Committee, Prof. Francisco Gentil, my chief, very happy. Students here pay tuition at the rate of \$160 per year. Rather high when an accredited high school teacher receives but \$64 monthly, and living is very expensive. The alumnae Association is now organized and providing a full scholarship this year from a fund

they have established in memory of Sra. Maria Angelic Lima Basto, the first director.

Upon writing this down I feel somewhat encouraged at what we have accomplished in six months, not to mention the task of getting the students and the professors to class on time. I do not want to get as much routinized as possible, for the Portuguese director will have her own troubles when I am long since forgotten and I have learned that one is forgotten very quickly in any effort to make more effective nurses.

As usual I have been extremely lucky in the Residence Director, Sra. Maria Stuart, who oversees the cleanliness, order, laundry, food and uniform problems and is a dependable friend as well. Without her aid I could never have done so much.

My routine has been varied since I have filled in all sorts of odd places. My classes have included Professional Adjustments at all stages, since they have never had anything along that line, also Bandaging, Massage, Nursing Arts (patch work this year) Operating Room Technic, First Aid, Ward Management and Preventive Medicine. Since my books and teaching materials did not arrive until August 1st, I have had to do a lot of extra preparation, which was probably good for me. We have also prepared a bulletin for the School, a copy of which I have included since it gives a glimpse of our residence.

The Administration has been wonderfully kind to me and have tried to do everything I suggest but never have I worked harder or with less personal satisfaction but we may be getting somewhere after all if I have sufficient endurance. Shall be ready for a couple of weeks rest in September and hope to go to some high place, where it is quiet and sleep. The climate to me is most depressing although it is pleasant and cool.

This has been a long story about my doings and surroundings but I am more interested in learning what you are doing. Everyone is working hard and doing without many things but I hope the news about the war may cheer you all and conditions get headed toward normal living soon. Here there is so much pride in the past and the recounting of past glories in the press that these is little room for present events. The city is quiet now and few refugees remain. That fact has not deterred our School, for which there is no citizenship requirement, from becoming international. We have one French-English, one

Italian, two Spanish students now and for next year a Polish and a Hungarian applicant. I shall give them all I can to use in the somber future which hangs over Europe today.

Let me remind you again that I think of you often and long to talk with each one of you and hope you may have a few moments to tell me of yourselves. A few times I have been out to the nearest point to the USA and it made me very homesick. The Atlantic never seemed so deep and so wet and I am no swimmer. I am looking forward to Miss Tennant coming the end of September and fear she will suffer from a too effusive welcome. Meantime there is much to do and I shall try my best to have it count for worthwhile American effort.

A BEM DA NACAO

(The welfare of the nation)

The proper ending for an official letter. Am getting the spirit!

Best to you all always,
Hazel A. Goff (1917)

Our Exchange List

The Johns Hopkins Nurses' Alumnae Magazine, Baltimore, Maryland.

Mount Sinai Alumnae News, New York City.

The Alumnae Journal—Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

St. Luke's Alumnae Bulletin, New York City.

The Quarterly Magazine of the Alumnae Association, Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing, New York City.

The Newton Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Newton, Massachusetts.

The Bulletin of the Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia General Hospital Training School for Nurses, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Quarterly of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, Toronto, Canada.

Faulkner Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Bulletin, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts.

CALENDARS

The response to the notice concerning the M.G.H. Calendars has not been as great this far as we had hoped and expected. The Endowment Fund Committee is sure that if you could see one of these calendars you would be truly enthusiastic about it. The calendar page is good for 1946 only, of course, but the pictures are artistic and will be of lasting interest to anyone who has known and loved M.G.H.

Just to describe the calendar in a little more detail—it is made of durable stiff cardboard so that it stands by itself, it measures 6" X 8", and the reproduced full-page photographs include the different hospital buildings, the garden, the Ether Dome, the White Building foyer, several interesting doorways, etc.

If you have not already ordered a calendar, won't you do so right away? The Committee exercised a lot of faith and ordered 2000 calendars. Wouldn't it be awful if only 500 of them were sold?

The cost is \$1.60 which includes mailing charge. A calendar will go on its way immediately if you will send a check or money-order to

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Boston, Massachusetts

And right now we say "Thank you".

M. G. H. CAPS

Purchase from Miss Eunice Bradstreet, 18 South Chestnut St., Augusta, Maine. Mail order 6 for \$2.75, 3 for \$1.50 postpaid. Caps may also be purchased from Miss Hannah M. Wood, 423 East 64th Street, Apt. 47, 2nd Stairway, New York City, and Mrs. Catherine Britt, 175 Larch Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 40 cents each.

MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSES WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMED FORCES

Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Abbott, Sylvia, Capt.		1931	Army	9th Gen. Hosp., APO 920, San Francisco
Ainsworth, Leah Clark, Lt.		1923	Army	
Allard, Winnifred O., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Allen, Margaret Hazen, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Andrews, Priscilla M., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Armstrong, Katherine, Ens.		1938	Navy	USNTS (F C-D) Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Atto, Kathleen, Lt. Col.		1922	Army	Hotel Marie Antoinette, Broadway at 66th Street, NYC
Ayer, Dorothy, Lt.		1940	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Babcock, Grace R., Lt.		1939	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barrett, Ann, Ens.		1943	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Farragut, Idaho
Barrett, Katherine C., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Goldie, Lt.		1926	Army	A.N.C., N 744468, APO 511 Postmaster, NYC
Barton, Rowena, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 72166 (Sq. K 1380th AAF. Bu., Presque Isle, Me.
Batin, Gladys McCracken, Lt.		1933	Army	Mitchell Field, Long Island, NY
Bean, Esther M., Lt.		1934	Army	
Beardwood, Gladys, Lt.		1925	Army	3119 SCN Med. Dept., Camp Edwards, Mass.
Beatham, Sybil, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 720-484, 31st Sta. Hosp., APO 502 Postmaster, San Francisco
Beaudette, Laurianne, Lt.		1937	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Becker, Helen Gibbons, Lt.		1933	Army	Cushing Gen. Hosp., Framingham, Mass.
Benedict, Rebecca, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 752929, 54th Gen. Hosp., APO 565 San Francisco, Calif.
Benton, Louise Hollister, Lt.		1933	Army	N 741692, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Benyon, Marion, Lt.		1941	Army	N 751199, 16th Station Hospital, APO 887, Postmaster, NYC
Berg, Aino K., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753211, 221st General Hospital
Binns, Julia, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 742205, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Bitzer, Barbara, Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752070, 16th General Hospital, APO 350 Postmaster, NYC
Blaney, Evelyn M., Lt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster NYC
Blood, Margaret Mahoney, Lt.		1937	Army	N. 741705 8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco, Calif.
Bourne, Constance E., Lt.		1938	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bowers, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 744678, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Boyce, Gula, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 752897, 119 General Hospital, APO 314, Postmaster, NYC
Boyle, Rita, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741667, MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brandon, Geraldine, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Breault, Muriel R., Ens.		1945	Navy	
Brebbia, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Briggs, Cleora, Lt.		1942	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Britt, Florence, Capt.		1935	Army	
Brooks, Jessie H., Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Brott, Cynthia, Lt.		1943	Army	

Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Brown, Louise M., Lt.		1944	Army	314 General Hospital, APO 75, San Francisco, California
Brown, Jessie, Lt.		1943	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Bruce, Elaine, Lt.		1943	Army	N 758401 65th Field Hospital, APO 403, Postmaster, NYC
Bruno, Carmela, Lt.		1942	Army	
Buckley, Elizabeth, Ens.		1942	Navy	
Budzyna, Anne H., Lt.		1944	Army	
Burgess, Linda, Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741671 MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Burke, Rita T., Lt.		1945	Army	N 754861 BTC for ANC, Fort Devens, Mass.
Burns, Helen P., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752903, 162 General Hospital, Postmaster NYC APO 514
Butcher, Edith J., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cahill, Ann, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Came, Barbara L., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Canning, Mary A., Capt.		1923	Army	N. 742143, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cape, Jacqueline, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital
Cardinali, Inez, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 720638, 262 General Hospital, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Carpenter, Mary L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 744003, 13th Field Hospital, APO 230, NYC
Carr, Kathryn, Lt.		1942	Army	
Cassell, Blair, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Casey, Mary L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Chadbourne, Helen O., Capt.		1932	Army	N. 720839, 10th Evacuation Hospital, APO 923 Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Chrystal, Dorothy M., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 741976, 59th Evacuation Hosp., APO 758, NYC
Clarke, Alice R., Lt.		1939	Army	N. 720016, 33rd Surgical Hospital, APO 923, San Francisco, Calif.
Clark, Edwina Hussey, Lt.		1937	Army	N 720970, 5th General Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Coffey, Eileen, Lt.		1938	Army	N. 720198, APO 827, New Orleans, La.
Cogswell, Thelma B., Lt.		1926	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Coghlan, Helen J., Capt.		1928	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Cole, Priscilla M., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Connor, Louise Lunt, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Storey, Virginia
Convelski, Stephanie, Lt.		1933	Army	8th General Hospital, APO 502, San Francisco
Conza, Ermine, Capt.		1920	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Cook, Mary C., Lt.		1937	Army	N 753087, 174th General Hospital, APO 560, Postmaster, NYC
Coolidge, Mary, Lt.		1927	Army	314th Station Hospital, APO 511
Cooper, Jean, Lt.		1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Corcoran, Alice M., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Corthell, Beatrice M., Lt.		1922	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Cox, Christine, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 752272, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Crafts, Eleanor B., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741678, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Creasey, Shirley Mansfield, Ens.		1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Cree, Edna, Lt.		1928	Army	

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Crosby, Jean M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Curran, Helen L., Lt.		1938	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Davis, E. Jacqueline, Capt.		1932	Army	N 75118., 303 General Hospital, APO 247, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Davis, Miriam, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Davis, Natalie, Lt.		1928	Army	N. 759376, 3rd Aux. Surgical Group, APO 230, NYC
Dawson, Marjorie, Lt.		1936	Army	Station Hospital, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin
Derwin, Margaret, Lt.		1932	Army	Fort Banks, Winthrop, Massachusetts
DeWolf, Mary, Lt.		1943	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
DiNatale, Bernadette A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Donahue, Josephine, Ens.		1941	Navy	Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts
Dow, Miriam Atwood, Lt.		1924	Army	218th U. S. Army Hospital Ship Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Doyle, Rita, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Drolet, Velma A., Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Dufault, Leonille M., Lt.		1936	Army	N 754280, ASF. Personnel Replacement Depot, Fort Jackson, South Carolina
Duffy, Dorothy, Lt.		1939	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Duffy, Lelia E., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dumaine, Betty		1926	A.R.C.	AP0 884, New York City
Durning, Virginia, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Dwyer, Mary E., Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751594, 5th Gen. Hospital, APO 350, NYC
Eaton, Caroline, Lt.		1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC C. P. of E., Charlston, S. C.
Ellinwood, Doris, Capt.		1925	Army	209th USAHS "Larkspur", Postmaster, NYC
Emerson, Edna, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Emery, Margaret, Lt.		1936	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ethier, Mildred, Lt.		1920	Army	N. 721821, 18th General Hospital, APO 689, PM NYC
Eveleth, Annette L., Lt.		1928	Army	N. 742207, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Farley, Grace, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Farrar, Priscilla, Ens.		1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Long Beach, Calif.
Farren, Lucy G., Lt.		1934	Army	142nd General Hospital—N721536 A.P.O. 465 C/o Postmaster, NYC
Finn, Helen L., Lt.		1943	Army	N. 758366, 178th Gen. Hosp., APO 17172, Post- master, NYC
Finn, Mary E., Lt.		1939	Army	N. 758894, 235th General Hospital, APO 772, PM NYC
Flett, May L., Lt.		1923	Army	N. 758894, 235th General Hospital, APO 772, PM NYC
Forand, Avis L., Lt.		1942	Army	Base Hospital, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Delaware
Forbes, Pauline G., Lt.		1929	Army	Camp Myles Standish, Taunton, Mass.
Ford, Anna, Lt.		1942	Army	
Forgey, Grace Riordan, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 752310, 110th General Hospital, APO 69, Postmaster, NYC
Forrant, Helen A., Lt.		1930	Army	N. 741683 MGH Unit 764, Postmaster, NYC
Fraser, Mary A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Garcia, Norma J., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts

Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Gardner, Grace E., Ens.		1932	Navy	Newport Naval Hospital, Newport, R. I.
Gardner, Ruth G., Ens.		1938	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Bloomington, Ind.
Garland, Grace, Lt.		1933	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Gates, Evelyn, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751150, Station Hospital, Loury Field, Colo.
Gedies, Ruth, Lt.		1925	Army	Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Giberti, Florence L., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Gianarakos, Anastasia, Lt.		1941	Army	
Gleichauf, Irene V., Lt.		1945	Army	
Glynn, Eileen, Ens.		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Corona, Calif.
Goethal, Yvonne, Lt.		1939	Army	New Orleans Air Base, New Orleans, La.
Goldthwait, Marjorie, Lt. (j.g.)		1936	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Graham, Helen K., Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Virginia
Gravelle, Jean, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Gredzinski, Helen, Ens.		1940	Navy	Station Hospital, Sampson, N. Y.
Greene, Ardenia Abbott, Lt.		1930	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Guillemette, Loretta, Lt.		1940	Army	Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.
Gustavsen, Pearl Foss, Lt.		1944	Army	
Haddon, Ruth, Lt.		1939	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Halekas, Garyfallia, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751367, USAHS "C. A. Stafford" E APO 464, Lexington Avenue, NYC
Haley, Blanche, Lt.		1930	Army	MGH Unit, 764, Postmaster, NYC
Halladay, Hazel, Capt.		1930	Army	Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.
Hansis, Evelyn, Lt.		1939	Army	N 721945, U. S. S. Mercy, San Francisco Calif.
Hardy, Amanda B., Lt.		1926	Army	62 General Hospital, APO 9648, NYC
Hardy, Nancy, Lt.		1944	Army	
Harling, Elna Marie, Ens.		1934	Navy	
Harlow, Ermelyne O., Lt.		1928	Army	11th Evacuation Hospital, APO 758, NYC
Harris, Winona Meilleur, Lt.		1941	Army	Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia
Harper, Marjorie, Lt.		1931	Army	N 787578, A.A.F. Station Hospital, Gulfport Armvy Air Field, Mississippi
Hart, Ann A., Lt.		1944	Army	N. 753194, 221st General Hospital, APO 513, Postmaster, NYC
Hart, Mary Patricia, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Hartnett, Helen F., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 788539, 821st M.A.E.T.S. APO 629, NYC
Hartnett, Marguerite E., Ens.		1943	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Hathaway, Ruth, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Herland, Phyllis G., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Hewit, Helen G., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Hitchings, Barbara, Lt.		1944	Army	314 General Hospital, APO 75, San Francisco, California
Holmes, Isabel, Lt.		1941	Army	
Holmes, Margaret O., Lt.		1939	Army	Waltham Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Holt, Cynthia, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Holt, Norma Nesmith, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751477, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Horton, Ruth, Lt.		1941	Army	14th Evac. Hosp., APO 689, PM NYC
Hoyt, Ruth, Ens.		1929	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, Long Beach, Calif.
James, Doris, Lt.		1942	Army	New Station Hospital, Ft. Devans, Mass.
Jarvis, Katherine, Lt.		1940	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Jebens, Winifred Parsons, Lt.		1929	Army	107 (U.S.) General Hospital, A.P.O. 121 B, C/O Postmaster, NYC

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Name	Rank	Class	Service	Address
Jensen, Barbara, Lt. (j.g.)		1939	Navy	U. S. Fleet, Hospital 113, Geneva, Ave. and Moscow St., San Francisco, Calif.
Jewell, Martha, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741695, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Johnson, Elsie, Lt.		1937	Army	Station Hospital, Fort Adams, R. I.
Johnson, Harriet L., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741696, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC.
Keane, Rita M., Lt.		1936	Army	India
Kearns, Muriel, Ens.		1936	Navy	U.S.N. Hosp., Navy No. 10, FPO San Francisco, California
Kellogg, Violet, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Kerzick, Mildred, Lt.		1934	Army	
Kidder, Virginia D., Ens.		1937	Navy	U. S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Kimball, Martha, Ens.		1941	Navy	U.S.S. "Solace," San Francisco, Calif.
King, Evelyn V., Lt.		1938	Army	N. 741699, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Knapp, Dorothy M., Lt.		1930	Army	Regional Hospital, Waltham, Mass.
Knights, Doris, Lt. Col.		1931	Army	N 720156 Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Koziol, Genevieve, Lt.		1943	Army	N 752597, 184th General Hospital, APO 514, Postmaster, NYC
Krook, Elsie, Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
LaFleur, Marjorie, Lt.		1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Lanouette, Naomi, Lt.		1927	Army	Fort Barrancus, Florida
Lawrence, Ruth, Lt.		1931	Army	N. 741703, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lord, Elizabeth W., Ens.		1932	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Lowney, Carolyn, Lt.		1941	Army	13th Station Hospital, APO 703, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Lyons, Catherine E., Lt.		1934	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Lunt, Lucine M., Lt.		1930	Army	
MacKinnon, Christine A., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacNeill, Hazel W., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
MacSwain, Mary C., Lt.		1929	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Madden, Philipmena, Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mainiero, Lena, Lt.		1944	Army	B.T.C. SCU 3115, Ft. Devens, Ayer, Mass.
Mather, Jean T., Lt. (j.g.)		1941	Navy	U. S. Fleet Hospital, No. 105, San Francisco, Calif.
Maxwell, Barbara E., Lt.		1932	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
May, Marjorie, Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Mazzolini, Marion N., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
McCabe, Kathryn Lovejoy, Lt.		1936	Army	
McCormack, Madeline, Ens.		1943	Navy	N. 334792, U. S. Naval Hosp., Chelsea, Mass.
McCullough, Ethel, Lt.,		1937	Army	N. 751616, 181 General Hospital APO 883, NYC
McDonald, Jeannette C., Lt.		1941	Army	N. 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McDonnell, Frances A., Lt.		1935	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
McDonnell, Rose C., Lt.		1935	Army	N 741700, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC

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McGarry, Catherine, Lt.		1934	Army	N. 721318, Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
McGlynn, Dorothy F., Lt.		1932	Army	N. 787585, New Castle Army Air Base, Wilmington, Del.
McKee, Anna A., Lt.		1937	Army	N. 788105, 805th M.A.E.T. Sq. A.A.B., Dunnellon, Florida
McKee, Kathleen Mulvey, Lt.		1921	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
McKenzie, Ann, Lt.		1941	Army	
McLellan, Bessie, Lt.		1932	Army	N. 741710, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
McMorran, Frances, Lt.		1942	Army	APO 782, Postmaster, NYC
McNees, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	N.796957, Camp Swift N-R-BTC, Texas
McWilliam, Priscilla Bonney Lt.		1936	Army	N. 752957, APO 7986, San Francisco, Calif.
Mears, Ann, Lt.		1942	Army	N. 751350, APO 957, 204th General Hospital, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Moles, Dorothy I., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 720928, MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Monaghan, Genevieve, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 752270, 29th Field Hospital, APO 350, Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Anne E., Lt.		1940	Army	181 General Hospital, APO 883, NYC
Moore, Anna L., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Moore, Christine H., Lt.		1929	Army	N. 741712, 114th Station Hospital, APO 782, NYC
Morris, Lillian Luby, Lt.		1940	Army	
Mosher, Louise G., Lt.		1936	Army	50th General Hospital, Camp Carson, Colo.
Munroe, Barbara, Ens.		1942	Navy	Marine Hospital, Parris Island, So. Carolina
Mulholland, Anna, Lt.		1941	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Nally, Carolyn M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Nason, Eleanor, Ens.		1942	Navy	U.S.N. Hospital, N.O.B., Norfolk, Va.
Nelson, Earlyne, Lt.		1942	Army	218th U. S. S. Dogwood, Postmaster, NYC
Nelson, Margaret, Lt.		1933	Army	N. 920356, 15th Evacuation Hospital, APO 464, NYC
Newcomb, Ruth, Ens.		1942	Navy	Portsmouth, Va.
Nickerson, Dorothy A., Lt.		1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764 Postmaster, NYC
Noyes, Elaine S., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
O'Brien, Margaret, Lt.		1943	Army	N. 752586, 184th General Hospital, APO 514 NYC
O'Leary, Rita E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Oosting, Minnie, Lt.		1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Osborne, Virginia M., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Otley, Jean, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 721055, 200th Station Hospital, APO 3413, Postmaster, Miami, Florida
Parker, Carolyn A., Lt.		1942	Army	177th General Hospital
Passios, Alexandria, Lt.		1942	Army	New Sation Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.
Pedley, Ruth A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Penniman, Ruth F., Lt.		1926	Army	N. 741982, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pentecost, Claire, Ens.		1940	Navy	District Mailing Center, 14th Naval District, Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco

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Peterson, Barbara R., Lt.	1939	Army	N. 741715, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Phelps, Mavis G., Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Piippo, Regina Arline, Ens.	1941	Navy	
Pitman, Eleanor, Major	1925	Army	12th General Hospital, APO 782, Postmaster, NYC
Plant, Eunice, Lt.	1938	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Pritchard, Anna E., Lt.	1940	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Quinn, Mary, Lt.	1943	Army	N. 752817, 119th General Hospital, APO 314, NYC, N. Y.
Reardon, Mary F., Lt.	1940	Army	N. 721930, 812 Med. A.E.T. Sq. APO 953, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Reed, Carolyn Hayward Lt.	1922	Army	Station Hospital, Pine Camp, Watertown, N. Y.
Rein, Rita, Ens.	1934	Navy	Navy 231, Hosp. G 40, FPO PM NYC
Renn, Elsie G., Lt.	1941	Army	Camp Devens, Mass.
Roberts, Jean, Lt.	1943	Army	N. 752872, 200th Hospital Ship "Complement"
Robichaud, Eliz. Stevens, Lt.	1942	Army	U.S.A. Hospital Ship "Chateau Thierry," Postmaster, NYC
Robie, Doris, Lt.	1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Rose, Eunice, Lt.	1929	Army	N. 741719, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Ross, Janet, Ens.	1945	Navy	
Ross, Jean Perin, Lt.	1943	Army	Fort Devens, Mass.
Russell, Alice G., Lt.	1941	Army	19th General Hospital, APO 518, Postmaster, NYC
Samuelson, Eileen, Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Sarad, Julia, Ens.	1942	Navy	U. S. Naval Dispensary, El Canto, Calif.
Sears, Virginia L., Lt.	1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Shaw, Helen D., Lt.	1929	Army	N. 742146, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Sheehan, Mary, Lt.	1943	Army	
Sheldon, Lilla, Lt.	1942	Army	New Station Hosp. Fort Devens, Mass.
Sherer, Louise C., Lt.	1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Simpson, Phyllis L., Ens.	1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Singleton, Mary, Lt.	1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Slattery, Ethel M., Ens.	1941	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Sloper, Lucia W., Lt.	1939	Army	
Slovak, Sophia, Lt.	1931	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Smith, Constance, Ens.	1943	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Smith, Ruth Myers, Lt.	1942	Army	Lovell General Hospital, Ft. Devens, Mass.
Smith, Phyllis, Ens.	1942	Navy	
Somerville, Barbara, Lt.	1944	Army	Camp Edwards, Massachusetts
Southway, Doris Carpenter, Lt.	1922	Army	N. 752036, 16th General Hospital, APO 350
Spillane, Beatrice G., Ens.	1928	Navy	
Statts, Mary H., Lt.	1937	Navy	Naval Training Schools, Naval Pier, Naval Dispensary, Chicago, Illinois
Stacey, Eleanor C., Lt.	1933	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Stanford, Beatrice Belisle, Lt.	1941	Army	Fort Dix, New Jersey
Steele, Marie Elsie, Lt.	1943	Army	
Stevens, Helene Cousins, Capt.	1938	Army	N. 751609, 314th Station Hospital, APO 511, Postmaster, NYC

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Stoney, Dorothy, Lt.		1929	Army	N. 720549, McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, Texas
Sullivan, Helen, Ens.		1941	Navy	Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.
Sullivan, Marion A., Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Sullivan, Mary Eliz., Lt.		1941	Army	
Sweeney, Mary, Lt.		1941	Army	2nd Station Hospital, APO 920, San Francisco, Calif.
Thibodeau, Ann Louise, Lt.		1944	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Thigpen, Lorna, Lt.		1943	Army	Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Miss.
Tinkham, Anna L., Lt.		1940	Army	N. 741868, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster, NYC
Titus, Madelyn L., Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Tolman, Madeline A., Lt.		1933	Army	N. 744520, APO 511, 67th General, NYC
Townsend, Lois, Lt.		1932	Army	N 751257, Billings General Hospital, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana
Triggs, Grace, Ens.		1941	Navy	Newport, R. I.
Vandersloot, Rene E., Ens.		1936	Navy	USNC, Box 45, Navy 121, C/o Fleet Post Office, NYC
Waterhouse, Marian, Lt.		1945	Army	Fort Devens, Massachusetts
Welch, Mary P., Lt.		1944	Army	314 General Hospital, APO 75, San Francisco, California
Wentworth, Virginia, Lt.		1944	Army	314 General Hospital, APO 75, San Francisco, California
Wheeler, Mary McCarthy, Lt. (j.g.)				
		1939	Navy	(Resigned)
White, Alice M., Lt.		1930	Army	AP0 845, Postmaster NYC
Whittier, Eva, Lt.		1932	Army	Camp Edwards, Mass.
Wilcox, Chloe D., Lt.		1935	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilkins, Mary, Lt.		1940	Army	N. 721944, 4th Aux. Surg. Group, APO 403 NYC
Willis, Irene E., Lt.		1941	Army	MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Wilson, Margaret E., Ens.		1938	Navy	Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass.
Wilson, Mary E., Lt.		1935	Army	N. 741980, MGH Unit, APO 764, Postmaster NYC
Woods, Josephine, Ens.		1936	Navy	USMC, U. S. Naval Hospital, NAB, Norfolk 11, Virginia
Wright, Elizabeth Upton, Lt.		1927	Army	110th General Hospital, England
Wright, Helen Elizabeth, Lt.		1941	Army	Air Base, Miami Beach, Florida
Wrigley, Nellie, Lt.		1939	Army	N 721924, 36 General Hospital, APO 380, Postmaster, NYC
Yancey, Alice, Lt.		1941	Army	N. 3721801, 263 General Hospital, APO 465 NYC
Zagorin, Libby, Lt.		1941	Army	200th Hospital Ship Complement, Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, Long Island, NY

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The Class of 1946 produced their second musical, 'The Check Capers' at the Peabody Playhouse at 8.30 P.M. November 1 and 2. The background of the performance was a nurses' dormitory and the scenes were typical. This was a tremendous financial and social success.

REUNION AT M. G. H.

It's a small world!!!! And I guess Valerie Payne, July '46 and Margaret Horsefield, affiliate from Children's Hospital are thinking about the same thing, and it's rather an interesting story. Both Val and Margaret were born in England and lived there until they were in High School—not only do they have that in common, they went to the same school, Sherrardswood, in Welwyn Garden City, Hartfordshire, and were intimate friends.

Margaret came to the United States with her family in 1939 when her father started doing Secret Service Work. Val came over in August 1940 with the first group of English children who were evacuated.

They met at a party two years ago in Worcester, but hadn't seen each other since—you can imagine how they felt when they ran into each other in the dining room about a month ago.

A mass meeting was held Monday evening, November 19, in the Moseley Rotunda. It was announced at this time that beginning Nov. 26 all students, excluding the preclinical students and those on special assignments, were to have a full day off per week. A plan is also in order to change night duties to a 48 hour week. As so little help is yet available from either graduate nurses, attendants, and ward helpers this change is made with the understanding that it will be maintained as long as possible. In some periods it may be necessary to revert to the longer hours until help comes to us once again.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Reader:—Have you all met our five brand-new-comers to M.G.H.? Perhaps you haven't had an opportunity to have come in contact with all five, but I had the good fortune to be able to interview them for the Drawsheet, so let me tell you a little about each.

My interview with Miss Helen Sherwin, who occupies the office once Miss Kempf's, proved to be a most pleasant one. Formerly the Educational Director at the Waterbury Hospital in Waterbury, Connecticut, she has come to serve us in the capacity of Supervisor of the Science Teaching and instructor in social sciences. In the way of outside activities, she has "heaps of interests" and likes "almost anything", but really prefers dancing skating, sailing and swimming. Choral singers will find in Miss Sherwin, a willing audience.

Miss Hilda Batchelder who was Science Instructor at the Beverly Hospital, Beverly, Mass., has stepped right into the "trials" of a Science Instructor at MGH. Her interests are centered around the Domestic Arts, sewing, especially being her main calling. Should you see Miss Batchelder's Xmas cards, remember that she, as a student in a course in Crafts at the Adult Education Center, has made them herself.

Our new Medical Supervisor Miss Anne Marin, received her B.S. in Education at Boston University, and was formerly an Assistant Supervisor at the Quincy City Hospital, Quincy, Mass., her home school. Her versatility seems to know no limits in that she plays the piano, violin, and mandolin. Her interests are musical, including mainly the classics, and, as for the more strenuous activities, she prefers tennis and horseback riding.

Mrs. Ann Littler has come to us from the Accident Room at Johns Hopkins Hospital where she held a position as Head Nurse and Assistant Night Supervisor. Here, she has succeeded Mrs. Cettamai, our erstwhile Acting Supervisor and Instructor of Pediatric Nursing. "Hobbies? I have none," says she. "My sole outside interest is keeping house for my husband."

Now supervising our Clinical Instruction Program is Miss Edna Fritz who, before arrival at M.G.H., was Medical Instructor and Supervisor at the Cornell University—New York Hospital School of Nursing. All the time she doesn't spend at M.G.H. and Boston University is devoted to getting her apartment "straightened out." Reading poetry, historical novels, and the New Yorker heads her list of diversions.



THE GLEE CLUB
of the
Massachusetts General Hospital Training School
presented their annual
CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE
On Tuesday, December 18, 1945, at 8.30 p.m.
in the Rotunda of the Moseley Building

The Spirit of Christmas was with us indeed as we listened to the beautifully trained voices of the School of Nursing Glee Club. As the candle lights twinkled, the carols, gay, sweet and tuneful carried us away from our every day surroundings.

The songs were especially well chosen. The lovely words and music of "The Angel's Christmas" will not soon be forgotten.

The audience deeply appreciated the hour of pleasure given by the Director, Mrs. Grace Warner Guelsian, the student violinist, Miss E. M. Reade, and the other attractive members of the School of Nursing Glee Club.

+ + THE ALUMNAE + +

October 30, 1945, was the opening date for the first Fall meeting of the M.G.H. Nurses Alumnae Association, Inc. It was held in the Walcott House Classroom, with an average attendance.

After a short business meeting, Miss Johnson and Miss Sleeper told about the co-ordinated plans of Radcliffe and the M.G.H. for the preparation of selected young women for the profession of nursing.

The regular November meeting was omitted and the Alumnae was invited to attend a 'Tea' on Sunday, December 16,

1945, from 3:30 to 6:30 P.M. in the Walcott House living-room in honor of the graduates of the School who have served in the Armed Forces.

The living-room was most attractive with logs blazing in the fire place, and the tea-table was most inviting. Miss Elspeth S. Campbell (1909) and Mrs. Sally Rowter Trask (1918) were the hororary pourers.

Groups from both the Army and Navy were present, and were graciously received by Lt. Colonel Doris Knights, Miss Margaret Dieter, Miss Johnson, Miss McCrae, Miss Stevens and Miss Griffin. Miss Dieter, President of the Alumnae Association called the roll of Veterans about five P.M., segregating each into a group according to her participation in the different theaters of operation.

There was representation from all areas of Europe, Greenland, Iceland, China-Burma-India, Pacific, South Pacific, Alaska and Africa. A moment always to be remembered and appreciated was that in which Miss Johnson and Dr. Faxon welcomed their children back under the roof of their alma mater.

Short appropriate contributory remarks were made by Miss Annabella McCrae, Miss Carrie M. Hall, chief nurse of the Harvard Unit World War I, Miss Sarah E. Parsons, chief nurse of Base Hospital No. 6, World War I, and Lt. Colonel Doris Knights, chief nurse of the 6th General Hospital, World War II.

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Section 1. The annual dues . . . shall be payable in advance in October for the next calendar year.

Section 3. Members failing to pay dues before January first shall at once be notified by the Treasurer and those not paying by February first shall forfeit the right of membership and their names shall be taken from the roll of members.

Section 4. Members who have been dropped for the non-payment of dues may be re-instated on payment of dues for the current year.

—ENGAGEMENTS—

Shirley Mae Sibley (1945) to Mr. Robert Joseph Kleinhaus of Elizabeth, New Jersey.

—MARRIAGES—

Lt. (j.g.) Priscilla Farrar (1942) U.S.N.C. to John Woodrow Cram on February 18, 1945 in Portland, Oregon.

Garryfallis L. Halekas (1942) to Mr. Charles C. Forsyth, on June 15, 1945.

Marjorie Ruth Lafleur (1944) to Lt. Jaffre Auffrey, on August 17, 1945, in Manila, Phillipine Islands. Mrs. Auffrey is now residing at 57 Smith Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

Julia Sarad (1942) to Lt. Edwin N. Spaulding, on August 18, 1945, in the Church of St. Mark, Richmond, California. Lt. Spaulding was a pilot in the Marine Air Corps.

Doris Mae Johnson (1943) to Mr. James Ellis O'Neill, on September 6, 1945, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Concord, New Hampshire.

Kathryn M. Shealey (1931) to Mr. Theodore A. Lynch, on September 6, 1945, in Brockton, Massachusetts.

Winifred J. Holmes (1941) to George F. Griffin, Army of the United States, on September 22, 1945, in Riverside Church, New York City.

Margaret E. Wilson (1938) to Mr. Robert K. McConnell, on September 27, 1945, in Gulfport, Mississippi. At home after December 1, 1945, at 5 Beaumont Road, Toronto, Canada.

Irene C. Stuart (1932) to Mr. George F. Bliss, on October 22, 1945, in Manchester, Connecticut.

Lt. Ethel L. McCullough (1937) A.N.C. to Mr. Daniel J. Sullivan, on November 14, 1945, in the Chapel of the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts.

Marjorie Teresa Burke (1937) to Mr. Joseph Donald Richards, on November 24, 1945, in St. Joseph's Church, Amesbury, Massachusetts.

—BIRTHS—

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Murphy (Marjorie B. Packard, 1933) announce the birth of a son, Bartlett, on July 9, 1945, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Swanson (Irene A. Ahonen, 1941) announce the birth of a son, William Eldridge Jr., on September 10, 1945, at the Bridgeport Hospital, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tallent (Katherine M. Conlon, 1932) announce the birth of a son, William Jr., on September 21, 1945, at the Morton Hospital, Taunton, Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Bernard (Edith Kelsey, 1940) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Kathrin, on October 20, 1945, in Westtown, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. James Denton (Virginia D. Kidder, 1937) announce the birth of a son, Thomas Dana, on October 25, 1945, in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Rundell (Mary L. McIntire, 1939) announce the birth of a son, Thomas William, on November 2, 1945, at the Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

Capt. and Mrs. C. C. Peters (Mary E. Sullivan, 1941) announce the birth of a daughter, Carol Anne, on November 7, 1945, in Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Charles Carson (Rae Page Clough, 1941) announce the birth of a son, Charles David, on November 17, 1945, at the Baker Memorial of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson Hyde, Jr. (Pauline Johnson, 1943) announce the birth of a son, Steven Ellis, on October 30, 1945, at the Exeter Hospital, Exeter, New Hampshire.

In Memoriam

MRS. JOHN J. FORWARD

Mrs. John J. Forward (Irene L. Howarth, 1917) died in Camden, Maine, on September 12, 1945, where she was spending the Summer. The funeral was from her home in Hartford Connecticut.

Miss Eliza J. Dickey

Eliza J. Dickey (1882) died on June 22, 1945, in Los Angeles, California. She was a licensed physician in Cincinnati where she was superintendent of the Episcopal Hospital for Children. She went to Los Angeles in 1918 and was ordered deaconess by Bishop Vincent. She worked at the Church of the Redeemer and St. Michael's Mission.

MISS ELIZABETH C. HOGLE

Elizabeth C. Hogle (1896) died at her home, Campbellford, Ontario, Canada, on October 4, 1945. She was Superintendent of the Somerville Hospital for about fifteen years.

+ + NEWS + +

ETHER DAY

The exercises on Ether Day, October 16, 1945, consisted of the presentation of service pins to employees of the hospital who had served ten or more years. These pins of blue enamel have the Mass. State seal and stars, each star donating ten years service. There were two persons in the hospital who received solid gold pins bearing five stars: Mr. Robert Henderson of the Phillips House and Mr. Eric Frankson, in charge of the hospital store. Both had served faithfully for over 50 years.

The exercises were held in the Moseley Memorial auditorium, between twelve and one o'clock.

All members of the hospital family were invited to attend.

Thursday, November 8, 1945, Harriet E. Towle and Catherine F. Carleton entertained their class, the 1910ers, at a tea party at the home of Miss Joan Betnick Smith. Towle and Carl certainly did well to have so many accept their kind hospitality after being separated for so many years. Those present were: Catherine F. Carleton, Florence Colby, Margaret I. Gleason Webster, Anna G. Griffin, Edna Harrison Jones, Clara Hyson Ernst, Sally M. Johnson, Mary R. Morrison Warren, Alice H. Munsie Kingston, Annie M. Robertson, Harriet E. Towle, Hazel Wedgewood, Myra A. Whitney. Miss Parsons and Miss McCrae were honored guests and paid many creditable tributes to the class which numbered 34, four of whom have died.

Reminiscing provided much amusement and many surprises. Three grandmothers (Margaret Gleason Webster, Clara Hyson Ernst, Alice Munsie Kingston) were in the group and appeared very proud of their achievements. Those still "carrying on" seemed to have carried the burden of the years remarkably well and look forward to many more happy reunions.

The Hawthorne Room of the Parker House was the scene of a jolly gathering on the evening of December 1, 1945. Seventy-six members of the "Talence Club" and "Bordeaux Bells" with their wives and husbands attended the re-union.

Colonel Frederic A. Washburn, Commanding Officer, and Miss Sarah E. Parsons, Chief Nurse of Base Hospital No. 6, 1917-1919, were the invited guests.

After a delicious dinner, Albert E. Hunter, president of the "Tolerance Club" opened the meeting with a few well chosen words, and read letters from Colonel Washburn expressing regrets for his inability to be present.

Following the salute to the colors, a moment of silence was observed for departed members. The American Legion prayer was read by Elmer I. Blazo, and Taps sounded by Emmett O'Brien, an adopted veteran of World War I. He added zest to the party by playing and singing the new and old War songs. Howard C. Averill delighted all by singing 'The Rose of No Man's Land' and Mary Rose Gullifer played several violin selections. Josephine A. Mulville, president of the "Bordeaux Bells" sang 'Mother Machree' to the joy of all. Olga Olsen Robinson was attending her first Unit re-union and amused the group by telling a bed-time story in Chinese.

Lt. Colonel Stephen S. Bean and Sargent Michael E. Gaddis, both veterans of the two Wars, led us to believe we had the best leaders for any war.

Our loved, respected and ever-young chief nurse, Miss Parsons, charmed the group with her few gracious remarks.

Scrolle, illustrated with a sketch of the gate at the Base Hospital in Bordeaux and inscribed by each member of the group, was presented to the guests in appreciation of the privilege of having served under their command.

Mrs. John B. Hazard (Etta M. Holly, 1931) has resigned as supervisor of volunteers. Dr. Hazard, a member of the 5th General Hospital, returned in October and they have been enjoying a second honeymoon.

A medical art show, comprising the work of twenty-six artists associated with leading schools of medicine, clinics and hospitals, was held in the brick corridor of the Hospital from November 12 to December 1, 1945. This was sponsored by Modern Medicine. (The Journal of Diagnosis and Treatment). The exhibit included the work of medical artists in Boston: Muriel McLatchie, (M.G.H.), Etta Piotti, Mildred Codding and Helen Lewis Loud.

Helene G. Lee (1922) took time after her busy days as executive secretary of the Massachusetts State Nurses Association, to contribute her services two evenings a week in the School of Nursing during August and September.

Marion Decker (1937) relieved in the O.P.D. for a few weeks this Fall.

Mary F. Malone (1943) head nurse of the Ear Clinic for the past two years, has transferred to the Eye Clinic, the largest clinic in the O.P.D. She succeeded Barbara C. Harris, who resigned to become eye operating-room supervisor in the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary on December 1, 1945.

Christine J. Oddy (1939) Director of the School of Nursing at the Maine General Hospital, Portland, Maine, came to a recent Alumnae meeting.

Dr. Emma M. Varnerin (1925) has opened her office in Taunton, Massachusetts. She officiated at the birth of a young son to Mrs. William Tallent (Katherine M. Conlon, 1932).

On November 15, 1945, all the patients on Ward G were moved over to Ward I, which is now known as G-I Ward. Wreckers began immediately to tear down this old land-mark to make room for the modern Vincent-Children's Building which is to be started at once. Already the lovely lawn between the Phillips House and White Building is torn up, old elm trees cut into fire-place wood, and the contractors portable house built.

Lt. Nellie Wrigley (1939) A.N.C. is spending her terminal leave at home in Holyoke, Massachusetts, after three interesting years. Lt. Wrigley went overseas with the 43rd Station Hospital, which was stationed in Bizerte, North Africa. She later joined the 11th Field Hospital which operated within three to five miles of the frontlines, part of the 7th Army. She saw service in Naples, Italy, the Riviera in Southern France, Dijon and the last six months were spent in Bavaria and Insbruch. Lt. Wrigley is wearing the meritorious citation on her right arm (gold wreath) for work they did in Southern France, and has five battle stars for her European Theater of Operations.

Miss Ruth Sleeper (1922) at a recent meeting in Washington, was elected Chairman of the Nursing Advisory Council to the administrator of veterans affairs.

Mrs. James L. Barton, widow of Dr. James L. Barton, former secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions and founder of the Near East Relief, died on October 20, 1945, after

several years of ill health. She is survived by a son and a daughter, Maude G. Barton (1917) of Seattle, Washington.

Many of the hospital family attended a testimonial dinner at the Copley Plaza on the evening of December 11, 1945, in honor of Miss Ida M. Cannon who retired as Chief of the Social Service after more than 40 years of service in the M.G.H. Miss Josephine C. Barbour, who joined the Red Cross as Assistant Field Director of Social Service with the 6th General Hospital, will succeed Miss Cannon.

Mrs. Don Snow (Mildred M. Hubbard, 1915) benefited by her four weeks hospitalization. She returned to her home in Randolph, Maine on Thanksgiving Day and on December 8th she and her husband were in Worcester, Massachusetts, en route for the sunshine of Florida where they plan to spend the winter.

Agnes J. Trull (1913) has been visiting in the hospital recently. She is the resident nurse in the Old Ladies Home, Nashua, New Hampshire.

Alice M. Wescott (1913) is spending the winter in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Her address is 449 N.E. 1st Avenue.

Mary A. Walsh (1910) is recovering from a severe fall. She was missed at the Base Hospital 6 re-union.

Mary L. McKenna (1896) has returned to Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, after a second cataract operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Canute B. Grainger (Lillian I. Lovely, 1910) are now living in Ephrata, Washington, where Mr. Grainger is Director of the U.S.O. Club. They made the trip by auto. Douglas, the eldest son has received his discharge from the Quartermasters Corps and has returned to Newton, Massachusetts, where he has been made one of the Vice Presidents of his firm-Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company. Canute Jr., has served five years in the Army and was stationed in the Aleutians at the time his mother wrote:

"Ephrata is a small town right out in the middle of nowhere, surrounded by sagebrush and coulees, etc. It was terribly hot, 116°, about every day, but nearly every building—private or public is air-cooled. It was so much better than anything we expected to find that we were delighted with it. We have to

stay at the Hotel which is very modern and comfortable, but living expenses are high. Food costs a great deal more than it did in the East, but we are thoroughly enjoying the experience. We have been to a really Wild West Rodeo, and visited the Coulee Dam, which is about sixty miles from here. Last week, I went with a number of women of the Presbyterian Guild to an all day sewing affair, getting things made for a bazaar. We went to the home of one of them about twelve miles out over the hills to a place called Sagebrush Flats. The name intrigued me, but when we got there it was to find huge wheat fields with little ranch houses and buildings scattered here and there. At this time of the year it is all plowed ground and the wind is blowing a gale. There has been no rain here since last April, so you can imagine the dust. We all enjoyed it very much. You can look out of the kitchen window of this ranch house and see the snow covered Cascades, about 150 miles away. Another thing, I haven't recovered from yet, this Mrs. Smith, the rancher's wife, had doughnuts which she had fried in butter because she couldn't get any other kind of shortening. They were simply delicious.

Ephrata is about half way between Spokane and Seattle and very western; cowboys all over the country around here. Quite a few of the solid citizens have some Indian blood in them. Not far from here, along the Columbia River, there are the most wonderful orchards I have ever seen. You probably won't believe me when I tell you that they grow peaches as large as a fairly good sized grapefruit.

And now this base is closing up. It is not one of those that has been made permanent. We will probably be all through by December 1st and if we are not re-assigned, will start back East by Southern route on account of the snow and ice on the mountain passes. I want to spend a little time with my brother in Vancouver and Canute has a sister in Seattle who wants us to spend some time with her".

Mrs. Wesley C. Panunzia (Ella M. Backstrom, 1932) is living at 69 Glen Street, Somerville 45, Massachusetts. She would enjoy hearing from her classmates.

Josephine K. Hurley (1938) who is living with her sister in Miami, Florida, visited her parents in Boston the first part of November and made a short call at the hospital. Miss Hurley is nurse in the medical department of the Pan-American Airways, and travelled by plane.

Mrs. J. M. Geer (Helen M. Nagelschmidt, 1934) sends her new address: 129 East Market Street, York, Pennsylvania.

Capt. Hazel Halladay (1930) A.N.C., who was stationed at the Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Massachusetts, for over a year and later joined a Hospital Ship Compliment in Norfolk, Virginia, has been discharged from active duty and is now back in New York working at the New York Psychiatric Institute, associated with the Columbia Medical Center.

Frances C. Ladd (1911) has resigned as Superintendent of the Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, because of ill health. Her many friends wish her a speedy convalescence.

In the recent Community Fund Drive, 97% of the student group, both M.G.H. and affiliating students were contributors.

Elizabeth Ravina (1923) is making plans to come to Boston as soon as she can secure the necessary papers and passage. She was at the American Hospital in Paris during the long years of the war.

Esther E. Greiner (1937) writes from Indiana "I have just returned from a Japanese Relocation Center in Idaho where I was the Public Health Nurse. This was a most interesting experience. Now I am going to Norman, Oklahoma, to get experience in rural Public Health Nursing".

Frances P. West (1906) is now superintendent of the Rockingham Hospital in Bellows Falls, Vermont.

Mary L. Flett (1923) sent "greetings" in November from Marseille, France.

Mrs. Ball (Janet Mackie, 1936) is studying at the University of Rochester in Rochester, New York.

A new schedule for student hours on duty was initiated on November 26, 1945, for an indefinite period. It may be necessary to return to the former schedule particularly during the summer vacation period. Students are to have a day off during the week. Students without classes are to be assigned a 48 hour week on duty, that is six 8 hour days. Students who have classes are to be assigned a 48 hour week less 2 hours of class time.

Margaret Nelson (1933) is planning to study at Simmons College this winter.

Bill Murphy, now discharged from the Army, is back on duty in the Orthopedic Clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Leonard (Helen Ferree, 1922) sends Christmas greetings to her many friends at the M.G.H. and Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary from Colombo, Ceylon. One year ago they returned to Calcutta after a furlough in America.

Florence Britt (1935) a Captain in the A.N.C., attended the Alumnae meeting on October 20. She expected her next assignment to be in Utah.

Constance Bigelow (1921) has resigned as hostess in the White Building.

The Worcester County M.G.H. Club met at Worcester Hahnemann Hospital on September 26, 1945. A barbecue supper was served to the eighteen members who attended. Dr. Edwin Miller, East Medical, M.G.H. attended as a guest. Erma W. Kuhn (1914) and Hazel M. Walker (1924) acted as hostesses.

Alice V. Hagelshaw (1937) has joined the staff of the School of Nursing at Simmons College as Instructor in Public Health Nursing.

Charlotte O'Neil (1942) and Nettie Garrison Radford (1943) are enrolled in the Public Health Nursing program at Simmons College.

Marion Randall Bryant (1944) is about to be discharged from the Army and will return to Simmons in February to complete the Public Health Nursing course.

Marion Lawrence, daughter of Edith Bragdon (1923), Eleanor Murphy, daughter of Eleanor Mitchell (1918) and Barbara Fink, daughter of Bertha Wheeler Fink (1915) are students at the School of Nursing at Simmons College.

Extracts from 'Mode of Production of Pulmonary Emboli' by Earle Chapman and Robert Linton (Journal of American Medical Association, Sep. 15, 1945). "The dramatic plugging of the pulmonary arteries by clots released from the leg veins after

straining on a bed pan has been witnessed probably by nurses more often than doctors; in our own hospital this 'Haley Sign' of pulmonary infarction has been attributed for years to an astute head nurse". This refers to Blanch Haley, (1930) Head Nurse in the Emergency Ward before entering the Army.

Mary L. Carpenter (1940) a member of the original American Red Cross Harvard Field Hospital in Salisbury, England, has returned to this country. She joined the Army Nurse Corps in 1942, when this hospital in England was taken over by the Army. She landed on the Normandy Beach on D plus 7, with three platoons of a first Army Field Hospital. From there she moved through northern France and into Belgium. Then came a retreat from Germany back into Belgium and finally on into Germany once more. What nursing experiences are behind this brief summary! As a staff nurse, Miss Carpenter is now back with us at the hospital.

Where to Write

1. Send letters for publication of marriages, births, engagements, deaths, news, queries as to addresses, etc., to Dorothy M. Tarbox, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, Massachusetts.

2. Change of address to A. Helena McCarten, 14 Poplar Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Annual dues with change of address to Anne Lyons Twomey, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

4. Send Sick Relief to Miriam J. Huggard, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

5. Send donations for the Endowment Fund to Miss Sally Johnson, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

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